

The New Japan



Japanese Emperor Hirohito has been treading the path of democracy. The Emperor and Empress Nakagawa for the second time this week made a trip together outside the Imperial Palace yesterday. For one hour they visited the nationwide handicraft exhibition in Tokyo Hall. Pre-war, the Emperor and Empress never attended a public function together, let alone ride in the same motor-car. This candid camera shot shows Hirohito watering his petunias.

# Airways Hit At BOAC Monopoly

The four major Hong Kong aviation companies, who are apparently now faced with the complete stoppage of their scheduled air services following the formation of Hong Kong Airways, Ltd. by B.O.A.C., yesterday were deliberating the threat of elimination of all local air interests.

The four companies are Far East Aviation Co. Ltd., Far East Flying Training School Ltd., Cathay Pacific Airways Ltd., and Skyways Ltd.

A representative official explained to the "China Mail" yesterday that the setting up of Hong Kong Airways must mean that local aviation company planes in the Colony can only be used for charter services, or else will have to be operated elsewhere.

The representative added that a local combine was in process of formation, that the Hong Kong Government had through out the negotiations supported these private enterprise companies and the plan of amalgamation, and therefore the present situation could only be explained as having been forced upon them by the Home Government.

**Big Stick**

"We would like to know," he said, "what action the Hong Kong Government will take. Our policy is democracy, yet Whitehall waves a big stick through the Colonial Office."

Local companies also complain against the air agreement made between China and Britain on the grounds that the British rights obtained were negligible compared with China's. One reason for this now seems to have been that BOAC's bid for the Shanghai flying-boat base prejudiced the deal to the exclusion of other points, valuable to land planes.

# U. K. Conservatives Want Red Purge

Brighton, Oct. 3.

Nearly 3,000 Conservatives cheered a demand for a Communist purge in Britain and the Dominions at their annual conference today.

Delegates shouted down attempts by the chairman, Mrs. Henry Horrold-Strickland, to choke off the discussion without a vote but finally quieted down when she promised to call a special resolution on the subject at tomorrow's final conference session.

The attack on the Communists came at the end of a debate on a resolution calling upon the Party to "decide a policy for curbing the Empire's economic and political unity."

(Mr. Andrew Fountaine, of Norfolk, moved an addendum to put the Party on record as favouring a policy for "finally routing out an ever increasing number of foreign influences within our own country and the Dominions overseas."

# NEW CHINESE PURGE IN PEIPING

## Tramway Men In Shanghai Riot

Peiping, Oct. 3.

Special police today arrested three more of Governor Sun Lien-chung's men as the Central Government's loyalty purge continued behind a screen of official silence.

The Government reached into Sun's military court in arresting General Ting Hsin-tse, assistant tribunal chief. Also arrested were Liang A-jen, chief secretary of the Provincial Government, and Wang Chow-uu, Provincial councillor.

With six of his men arrested or in hiding, Sun maintained silence despite reporters' attempts to obtain a statement.

The arrests in Sun's military setup is believed to be directed against a building "third group" or would be mediators between the Nationalists and Communists.

Outsiders wondered whether there is any connection between these arrests and the detention of five students on suspicion of "Communist activities."

last night that the authorities were prepared to have soldiers and unemployed workers run the buses and trams and warned: "We can suppress any form of agitation and unrest in Shanghai."

Major Wu told the strikers that they left their jobs illegally. Company officials said the strike was motivated by political reasons.

A Union spokesman charged that it was part of the Government plan to reorganise control of the labour unions.

The Bureau of Social Affairs has labelled all strikers as captured Communists.

The company operates 200 buses and trolley cars.

Earlier the strike of the British Tramway Company workers was settled a few days ago.

# Britain And Philippines To Sign Pact

Manila, Oct. 3.

Vice-President Elpidio Quirino and British Minister Linton Foulds today began a series of conferences on the proposed treaty of amity and friendship between the Philippines and Britain.

The proposed pact was discussed in London when the Vice-President was there several months ago.

It will resemble treaties which the Republic has made with France, Italy and Spain.

A Foreign Affairs spokesman said the signing of the pact may take place in the next few days.—Associated Press.

The wrecked tram was to have been the first of 10 trams scheduled to resume service this morning since the start of the strike a week ago.

Mayor K. C. Wu announced

# Twin Typhoon Near Marcus

Tokyo, Oct. 3.

The elder sister, "Olivia," of a twin-born Pacific typhoon with centre blasts of 80 m.p.h., will not hit the Marianas but moving northward, the outer skirts probably will sweep across Japan some time Sunday morning, the latest prediction today said.

The Army weather wing reported that "Olivia" was moving at 11 knots when a Navy reconnaissance plane sighted the storm 600 miles east-northeast of Guam at Thursday midnight GMT.

It predicted the typhoon will arrive at a spot 700 miles north-east of Guam by Friday midnight GMT with gradually mounting winds.—United Press.

# QUEEN WILHELMINA TO MAKE JULIANA REGENT

The Hague, Oct. 3.

The Dutch Government announced today that Queen Wilhelmina would temporarily lay down her royal power in the near future for reasons of health and that Crown Princess Juliana would act as Princess Regent.

The announcement said that legislation would be introduced shortly in Parliament to permit the transfer of the royal power.

The bulletin emphasized, however, that while the 67-year-old Queen was not in the best of health, there was no reason for alarm over her condition.

The dowager Queen was reported on September 21 to be suffering from fatigue.

Her secretary said she was going to her summer palace, Het Loo, to rest.

A communique issued at the time said that "in view of her

# Gandhi Has A Cold



News messages report that Gandhi, who celebrated his birthday on Wednesday with a bad attack of influenza is now recovering. Here is one of the latest photographs of Gandhi's numerous conferences with Viscount Mountbatten.

# Governor Denies Changes In Status Of H. K.

## Nanking, Oct. 3.

Sir Alexander Grantham, Governor of Hong Kong, denied today that changes were pending in the colonial status of Hong Kong.

He declared: "Hong Kong will not become a Dominion, but will remain a Colony."

Sir Alexander, who is paying a brief visit to Nanking, told the press that the only fundamental change of policy in the colony was the establishment of a Municipal Council to replace the Urban Council, reports Reuter.

He refused to comment on the question regarding the transfer of Hong Kong to China and declared that the Hong Kong Government had long-range reconstruction plans.

Regarding the rehabilitation of Hong Kong, the Governor said that the housing problem which is serious all over the world after the war is very serious in Hong Kong.

Power stations in Hong Kong were operating well while the dockyards damaged by bombing during the war, though not yet entirely repaired, were working.

The Hong Kong Government was mapping out long-range plans for the rehabilitation and development of Hong Kong in consultation with the British Government.

Sir Alexander said that Sir Patrick Abercrombie, British town-planning expert, would come to Hong Kong next month.

Sir Ralph Stevenson, British Ambassador to China, who was also present at the press conference, said that during their meeting with President Chiang Kai-shek yesterday afternoon they all expressed congratulations at the appointment of Dr. T. T. Soong as Kwangtung Governor.

"This will make the relationship between Kwangtung and Hong Kong closer and cooperation easier," said the British Ambassador.

# British Delegation For Tokyo

Pool, Dorset, Oct. 3.

A Parliamentary delegation of three Labour Members and one Conservative, led by the Rev. Gordon Lang, left here today by BOAC for Tokyo to see how the occupation was working out and to gain first hand knowledge of the experiment in democracy taking place in Japan.

The delegation will also investigate how the Japanese economic, trade and domestic situation is being restored.

# Strike Passes Off Quietly

## LATEST JEWISH "EXODUS" FAILS

Jerusalem, Oct. 3.

Palestine Arabs observed a general strike today protesting the United Nations report recommending the partitioning of the Holy Land. Contrary to expectations not a single serious incident was reported.

Although more than 100,000 Arabs struck, the most serious violence were half a dozen stoning incidents reported by the police.

"We have these stoning incidents every other day," they added.

Travelling from Haifa to Jerusalem today the United Press correspondent passed through Jenin, Nablus, Ramallah and Ramleh, all 100 per cent Arab towns, and also went through several Arab villages and all presented completely normal appearance.

In Jerusalem, Arabs flocked to Mosque Omar where Sheikh el Haram told the congregation: "The sooner you realise your country is in danger the better."

**"Exodus" Off**

Meanwhile, 800 illegal Jewish immigrants seized aboard the refugee ship Paducah—renamed "Redemption"—sailed for a detention camp at Cyprus today aboard the British transport Empire Comfort.

The Paducah was seized last night when she entered territorial waters and docked at Haifa.

The British authorities delayed the docking of the Paducah's sister ship, Northland—renamed "Jewish State"—from 4.30 a.m. this morning to until this afternoon.

The number of refugees aboard the Northland was not clear.

A tentative official statement last night estimated she had more than 2,000 Jews aboard, but a communique issued this morning gave the number of would-be immigrants as 1,000.

Officials refused to comment on a possibility that a number of refugees might have landed successfully, eluding the British.

The Hagana spokesman also would not talk about it.

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# Lieutenant Mountbatten Joins C. of E.

London, Oct. 3.

Lieutenant Philip Mountbatten has left the Greek Orthodox Church and has been formally received into the Church of England in preparation for his forthcoming marriage to Princess Elizabeth, Heiress Presumptive to the Throne, it was learned today.

The proceedings were conducted privately by the Archbishop of Canterbury at the Chapel of Lambeth Palace, London.

Lieutenant Philip Mountbatten was baptised into the Greek Orthodox Church, which is in full communion with the Church of England. During the war, while in the Royal Navy, he attended Church of England services and now he has become a full member of the Church of England.—Reuter.

# Chiang Said To Gain Weihaiwei

## Nationalist amphibious units and ground forces today captured Weihaiwei, former British naval base and the last major Communist port in China Proper, according to Chinese dispatches.

Fresh troops from Honan province smashed up the railway from Shanhaiwan to relieve isolated garrisons which for a fortnight had been beating off the Communist thrust toward the important supply port of Huludao.

The "Ta Kung Pao," in a Mukden dispatch quoting a Chinese aviation source said a Chinese transport ship bound for Yingkou from Shanghai, "was an apparent target of five cannon shots fired by the Russians at Port Arthur."

This occurred when the Chinese vessel was off the Russian port.

All the five shots missed the ship, the report said.—United Press and Associated Press.

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## NOTICE TO MEMBERS

## DOUBLE TENTH RACE MEETING.

Friday 10th and Saturday 11th Oct., 1947

The First Bell will be rung at 2.30 p.m. and the first race will be run at 3.00 p.m. each day. Through numbers (11 races—\$28) may be obtained at the Office of the Treasurer, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, all tickets for the Special Cash Sweep (\$200) on the Kwan Tung Handicap.

## KWANTUNG HANDICAP

The sale of cash sweep tickets on the Kwan Tung Handicap will cease at 11.00 a.m. on Saturday, 11th October.

## MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE.

Members are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10 each day including tax are obtainable through the Secretary on the written or personal introduction of a member, such member to be responsible for all bills etc. Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the RACE COURSE.

The Treasurer's Office will close at 11 a.m. and the Secretary's Office at 12.00 noon. Both Offices at 1st Floor, Exchange Building.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 28151).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

## PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3 each day including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Bookmakers, Tipsters, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Refreshments will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

## SERVANTS' PASSES

Passes for Servants will be issued to Private Box holders ONLY on application to the Secretary, 1st Floor, Exchange Building.

Any persons found loitering with Servants' passes in their possession will forfeit the same and will be removed from the enclosure.

BY ORDER,  
S. F. SLEAP,  
Actg. Secretary.

## U.K. TOWN PLANNER TO INSPECT H.K.

Professor Sir Patrick Abercrombie, one of the world's most distinguished architects and town-planners, is expected in Hong Kong next month for a visit of several weeks during which he will outline a town-planning scheme for the Colony.

Sir Patrick will indicate what preliminary work is necessary and the team that is required to undertake the job of planned development of Hong Kong and Kowloon and the port.

The work done by the Hong Kong Development and Welfare Committee will also be placed before him for his consideration.

## Career

For over 30 years Professor Abercrombie has been Professor of Civil Design at Liverpool and London Universities.

He is a past Vice-President of the Royal Institute of British Architects and their Gold Medalist for 1916. Whilst at Liverpool, he prepared studies of Paris, Vienna, Brussels and Berlin which are still the standard references on these European capitals. At home he

has been responsible for preparing plans for the capital cities of England, Scotland and Ireland. The Greater London plan, prepared with the assistance of Mr. J. H. Forshaw, is perhaps his best known work. With the help of Sir Edwin Lutyens, he prepared plans for Hull and he has also prepared a new plan for the city of Plymouth. His work has not been confined to the United Kingdom; with Mr. Holliday he designed the new campus of the University of Colombo in Ceylon and he is responsible for plans for the capital of Ethiopia at Addis Ababa.

Recently he has been in Cyprus giving advice on planning on that island. He was responsible for the first English regional planning scheme, that of Doncaster, covering the South Yorkshire coal fields. This initial phase of work resulted in a series of regional reports for the future development of nearly half of England from Cumberland and the Lake District to Bristol in the west and Canterbury in the east.

## It's Never Too Late To Learn

Peiping, Oct. 3.

The police today started training classes for 1,000 foreign prostitutes, lecturing the girls on "management of public houses, hygiene, relation of prostitutes to society and current events."

The primarily dressed, slightly confused students were told to "help the authorities keep order and to refuse admission to undesirable and suspicious characters."

The Major recently announced his intention of making them the best informed prostitutes in the world—United Press.

## Money Market

A dull tone prevailed in all sections of the money market yesterday.

Gold started off at \$348 a ton, and after rising to \$349.50, fell to \$345.50, closing at \$345.75.

Piastres opened at \$11.40 and closed at \$11.17½ a 100. These were the highest and lowest rates of the day.

Chinese National Currency futures fell from 11.05 cents to 10.35 cents for CN\$1,000. The drop in spot was from 11.3 to 11.2 cents only.

U.S. dollars eased off further to \$5.42. Sterling was better at \$12. Australian pounds were quoted at \$12.50.

## WAR MEMORIAL FUND

Mr. and Mrs. M. E. L. Haymes \$200, Centime \$50, In Memory of (Mrs. M. Angue, Mr. J. M. A. Rumjahn and Miss Evalina Chan \$25, N. and E. Loyd-Jones \$25, Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Cassidy \$25, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. L. Wilkinson \$20, S. Mosses \$10) Total \$355; Hong Kong Government Contribution \$355, to Oct. 1 \$2,872, 651.02; Grand total \$2,873,051.02.

The following is a list of donations to St. John's Cathedral Restoration Fund up to Oct. 2 which have not yet been acknowledged in the press:

H. S. Dinsdale \$30, Mrs. Lily Franklin \$100, O. Skinner \$50, Dr. A. Sydenham \$15, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Wilby \$20, Miss E. Wise \$10, A. J. W. Evans \$10, Miss E. M. R. Buckland \$10, Restoration Box \$9.10; Received to Sept. 25 and already acknowledged \$130,979.92; Total to Oct. 2 \$131,234.02.

## CHINESE PROPERTY CLAIMS

It is notified for public information that the Chinese Government has fixed Dec. 31, 1947, as the time for the submission of claims by allied companies and individuals to property in China which was under Japanese or puppet control during the war.

Property not claimed by this date will be regarded as enemy owned.

Claims supported by documentary evidence should be submitted to the Alien Liquidation Department of the Central Trust of China at Shanghai.

## MINING REPORT DENIED

Reports in the Chinese press yesterday that a Kwei Hoi struck a mine on the way from Canton to Hong Kong on Thursday night were denied by the owners last night. The owners said the ship arrived safely in harbour yesterday morning.

## Tram Conductor Found A Basket Of Jewels

When tram 49 arrived at Whitty Street terminus at 5.35 p.m. yesterday, conductor Chan Ping-yeo handed in a basket left on the car by a Chinese woman who got off at the Central Market.

On being opened, the basket was found to contain jewelry and personal property.

In the meantime, the woman, who boarded the tram at Happy Valley, had made a report of her loss to the Tramway Co.'s Traffic Office.

She was, however, unable to give the number of the car or the time of her loss.

News of the loss was circulated to all termini, and an official of the Company was informed that the basket was at the Whitty Street terminus. The woman was contacted; she showed her appreciation of the conductor's honesty by rewarding him with \$200.

## Roosevelt Thought Wallace A "Kind Of Mystic"

Washington, Oct. 3.

Henry Morgenthau Jr., former Secretary of the Treasury, in an article in Colliers Magazine based on his diaries, said that in the days when Henry Wallace was Secretary of Agriculture, he, Morgenthau, argued for sale of surplus American cotton to China to strengthen her against Japan.

He added that the State Department feared this would offend Japan, but that Wallace "simply ignored the foreign policy implications."

Detailing his preliminary work in negotiations with the Russians prior to Soviet Union recognition by the United States, Morgenthau said he met with William Bullitt, then handling Soviet affairs in the State Department.

He said Bullitt hoped then to be the first Ambassador to Moscow and "was as furiously pro-Russian as he is furiously anti-Russian today." He saw in American aid the means by which the Soviet Union could break away from its dependence on Germany and could become a bulwark against the aggressive tendencies "we all thought were developing in Japan."

## A Mystic

Morgenthau said Wallace and the then Secretary of State Cordell Hull opposed recognition of Russia in 1933 on religious grounds and Wallace's position led President Franklin Roosevelt to call him "a kind of mystic." He said Roosevelt believed non-recognition of Russia "a futile measure against an established Government."

Morgenthau described a long conversation he had with Hull over methods of curbing Fascism and said although he respected Hull's "fine moral and human qualities," Hull's moral force sometimes verged on mere testiness. While disliking Fascism, he did not always see that its threat to peace had to be met by vigorous action on our part. The State Department was beating its wings ineffectually against a rising storm. The State Department was not alone in this attitude.

In the midst of the Italian invasion of Ethiopia, Jesse Jones, then head of Government loaning agencies, proposed that the United States grant Italy a short-term credit for purchase of cotton. The Treasury killed the idea—Associated Press.

## Move To Boost Phone Charges?

Chinese press reports yesterday said that the Telephone Company has asked for Government permission to increase the current subscription rates by 50 per cent.

No confirmation of the report could be obtained.

## Letters From Readers

## Bella Vista

Sir—I think that Observer's "Bella Vista" in Macao is excellent. A lot of correspondence has passed through our local agents regarding the fortunate circumstances of the Government employees in regard to housing, but on this I can only say that if they were not supplied some sort of accommodation their salaries would most certainly not cover the cost of paying for such Government employees are not paid well in Hong Kong and that is a well-known fact. I happen to be married to one so I know.

My husband's particular department is definitely understaffed and therefore the staff are overworked and he seldom leaves the office before 5.00 and always returns to work Saturday afternoon. He needs a holiday as this has begun to tell on his health, but on his salary we cannot afford it, so I think Observer's suggestion is really a good idea. I know for a fact that there are many departments in the Government who have to work just as hard and one cannot expect efficiency from over-tired personnel.

## UNKNOWN TRAFFIC VICTIM

An unidentified Chinese male, aged approximately 40 years and dressed in black cotton clothing, was knocked down by a motor vehicle, believed to be a motor lorry, at the junction of Queen's Road East and Hennessy Road at about 5 p.m. yesterday.

Any person who can give any information regarding this accident is asked to communicate with the nearest police station.

## FRENCH FLEET TANKER ARRIVES

A French fleet tanker, Le Makong, arrived in the Colony from Abidjan yesterday. A day or two ago, the vessel will call for 3000

## FOOD PARCELS FOR U.K. MOUNTING UP

Christmas food and gift parcels from Hong Kong for Britain, which have been steadily increasing in number over the last months, are still pouring into the Post Office in a non-stop stream.

During the whole of this week Hong Kong postal officials have been working until midnight in an effort to clear the several thousands of goodwill packages which have been handed over the counters.

The exact number of parcels received during the last few days is not yet known but they have resulted in the heaviest postal parcel rush the Colony has seen for at least the last 15 years. At the present moment, 1,300 mail bags filled with food and other gifts are ready for transshipment to England. They will leave the Colony either today or tomorrow. It is estimated they will reach England at the beginning of December.

## Rows Of Bags

In the basement of the main post office yesterday, rows of bags containing the Christmas parcels were stacked neatly in long lines awaiting the first step of their journey home. Those bags which contain food parcels only are marked with a special label with the object of facilitating their speedy delivery when they reach England. British postal authorities have agreed to pass through bona fide food gifts with the minimum of delay and in time for Xmas if they arrive three weeks before hand. Other gifts of a non-food nature will still, of course, be subject to customs regulations.

A Post Office official said yesterday: "Before the war very little foodstuff was ever sent to England at Christmas time from Hong Kong. The majority of gifts consisted of toys and souvenirs. Britain's present food shortage has really stirred sympathy among the public here and they are responding magnificently at this stage."

## Advice

The official then offered the following advice to senders of gift and food parcels:

"All foodstuffs must be packed in either a tin or a wooden box, otherwise the ingredients are liable to be eaten on board ship by rats. Any bottled commodity should be first wrapped

## LOST BOAT

The Harbour Master announces that a waterlogged rowing boat which has been towed from the vicinity of Murray Pier to the Government Slipway, Yau Ma Tei, where it may be inspected. Length 20' 2"; Breadth 6' 8"; Depth 2' 8"; Colour—White and Clinker built.

The boat, if not claimed by the rightful owner within seven days of publication of a notification which appears elsewhere in this paper, will be sold to defray expenses.

## KILLED BY FALL FROM TRAIN

A report has been made to the Tsim Sha Tsui Police by Ling Yee, 64-year-old married woman, at 6.30 p.m. yesterday that while the 3.30 Express train was passing No. 47 Bridge at Lo Wu (Chinese territory), her younger brother, Ling On-ting, fell from the step of a third-class carriage and was killed.

## WOMEN J.P.'s

Government is engaged on the selection of women Justices of the Peace. A few individuals, have already been approached, with a view to appointment and certain active women's organisations have been asked to suggest names for consideration by Government.

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## Fire Torture In Gang Raid Alleged

A grim story was told to Mr. W. H. Latimer by Det. Sub-Inspector R. F. G. White at Kowloon yesterday when he prosecuted two men on two charges of armed robbery, two of possession of arms and ammunition, and one of possession of an explosive substance.

### SHAW WANTS TO BE ALONE

London, Oct. 2. George Bernard Shaw, the 91-year-old playwright and dramatist, has been ordered to leave his home in London and to go to a hotel for a period of 14 days, because he refused to give evidence in a case against a man accused of murdering a woman.

## Vishinsky Refuses To Broadcast

Lake Success, Oct. 3. Andrei Y. Vishinsky, Russian Chief Delegate to United Nations, has declined the invitation of Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt to appear on a radio programme for which she is moderating and discussing his "warmonger" charges against Americans. Mrs. Roosevelt reported.

Mrs. Roosevelt said that Vishinsky replied that he was too busy with U.N. Assembly business to prepare an address for the "World Security Workshop" programme on Sunday afternoon.—Associated Press.

## RADIO

ZHW Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles from 10.30 a.m. to 2.00 p.m., and 6.30 to 11.00 p.m., and also on 9.52 megacycles in the 31 metre band from 10.30 to 1.15, 7.30 to 8.30, and 9.15 to 11.00 p.m.

12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.  
12.35 p.m.—The Radio-Union's Dance Orchestra.  
12.45 p.m.—Hildegard (Voice) with Orchestra.  
1.15 p.m.—News, Weather Report and Announcements.  
1.30 p.m.—Orchestral Interlude.  
1.35 p.m.—Dance.  
1.40 p.m.—Studio: Andy Hildon and His Orchestra with Lucia (Voice).  
2.00 p.m.—Close Down.  
6.30 p.m.—Light Music.  
7.00 p.m.—Studio: "Dance Requests" Bill Viceroy, Calling—Rita, Miss Kai Tuck, Royal Air Force.  
8.00 p.m.—London (Radio) World News.  
8.10 p.m.—London (Radio) Home News from Britain.  
8.15 p.m.—Studio: "See You" Success Commentary.  
8.25 p.m.—Personality Interview: Raymond Johns.  
8.35 p.m.—London Physician: "The Way to the Stars" with John Mills, Michael Redgrave, Douglas Montgomery and Rosamund John.  
9.00 p.m.—R.T.C. Transcription Service "The Manoeuvre".  
9.15 p.m.—Operatic Arias.  
9.25 p.m.—Light Orchestral Favourites.  
9.50 p.m.—London (Radio) News.  
10.10 p.m.—Weather Report.  
10.15 p.m.—"Café" and Dance Music.  
11.00 p.m.—Close Down.

### COMING SOON TO THE LEE THEATRE

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STAR CAST  
NICHOLAS NICKLEBY  
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IS THAT CHAP BLIND  
COLONEL  
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## He Had His Shoes Shined On The Sidewalk

Charged with aiding and abetting a summary offence in permitting a shoe shine boy to clean his shoes on the sidewalk of Pedder Street, No. 22, of 24 Station Street, was cautioned by Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central yesterday.

## Quarrymen Cleared Of Sabotage Her Mother Warned Her To Stay Out

Mr. Marcus da Silva yesterday successfully submitted before Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon that Li Fuk and Yuen Chung-hing, charged with conspiring to render useless certain machinery at the Hok Tin Quarry between Aug. 20 and Sept. 10, had no case to answer.

In support of his submission, Mr. Silva quoted various legal definitions of the word "conspiracy" which laid down that conspiracy does not only consist of the intention between two or more persons to do an illegal act but actually an agreement to perform the act.

Reviewing the evidence of the chief witness for the prosecution, Tang, defence counsel declared that all that the witness stated was that he dealt with the first defendant and that no other person was present on all material occasions.

Tang also said that Li approached him and suggested that he pour certain liquid (no evidence was offered as to what that liquid was) down a certain machine to slow down the work.

There was no suggestion of malicious damage, contended Mr. Silva.

In their statements, went on defence counsel, first defendant said, "I have nothing to say. We all suggested it only but have not done such a thing."

Yuen replied: "I did suggest but did not carry it out. Both these statements were only tantamount to an intention which, in law, was not a conspiracy."

Although he was not appearing for the second accused, continued Mr. Silva, he desired to draw the court's attention to the fact that the evidence against that man was even less than that against his client. In the whole of Tang's evidence second defendant was not even mentioned.

Both defendants were discharged by His Worship who said that there was no evidence of conspiracy.

### OBSTRUCTIONISTS

Seven females were arraigned before Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central yesterday charged with loitering and causing obstruction in Hennessy Road near the Sailors and Soldiers Home. With the exception of two, all were bound over in the sum of \$25 for 12 months.

The remaining two, who had previous convictions were each fined \$25.

Inspector Fleming prosecuted.

### SPEEDSTER

A fine of \$250 was imposed on Kwok Kwai Wah, driver of No. 179 Hennessy Road by Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central yesterday for driving at an excessive speed and in a manner dangerous to the public.

S. I. Tisdall said that at the junction of Hennessy Road and Arsenal Street defendant's jeep overtook four vehicles at a spot crowded with children returning from school and where the dockyard traffic was thickest.

The case concerned, Cheng Cho Shu, a brother of defendant, who took sick and entered the Queen Mary Hospital where he subsequently died.

Defendant was alleged to have reported that his deceased brother had left a wife and several children, and to have requested that the licence of the motorist still be continued in his name in the place of his brother and that he would attend to the welfare of the wife and children.

Deceased, it was found, had no children.

Mak Lum, a driver of Government House, knew this and, it was alleged, threatened exposure.

Mak further suggested that if the sum of \$1,800 was paid, he would use his influence to secure the licence.

Defendant could not raise that amount but it was stated, paid \$200 and later another \$300 was paid.

Mak informed defendant that he required the money to purchase a present for the Governor before his departure from the colony.

Mr. d'Almada said that if the prosecution was satisfied that defendant had been the victim and had been deceived since the beginning of September, he would discharge him.

## Jap Navy Man Was Feeling "Very Angry"

Under cross-examination before No. 5 War Crimes Court yesterday, Vice Admiral Sokunja Naomasa (Flag Officer Commanding the Japanese 10th Naval Squadron), admitted that he lost two light cruisers in Jan. 1944, as a result of Allied action and that he was "feeling very angry" with the Allies.

Sokunja, together with Captain Mayama, Haruo (Commander of IJMS, "Tone") is charged with being concerned in the killing of 63 survivors of the "Behar" on the deck of the "Tone" on the night of Mar. 18, 1944.

Answering further questions put to him by Major Cross, Sokunja said that the order to dispose of prisoners was the first which he had ever seen in Operational Orders. He did not ask Admiral Takasu to explain what the word "Shobun" meant, but gathered the meaning from what he had seen in the subject by two Staff Officers.

Sokunja denied that he told his Commanders, during the conference at Banka Straits, that they could place whatever meaning they liked on it. He thought that the various Commanders understood.

Under certain circumstances, the word could be taken to mean "kill".

Sokunja said that before the "Tone" sank, the "Behar" an RRR signal from the latter was intercepted by the "Tone". Under such circumstances, any ordinary Captain would know what to do and would interpret the word "Shobun" to mean "execute."

Sokunja said that he believed the order to dispose of prisoners, except those required for the purpose of obtaining information, and the absolute approval of Admiral Takasu.

Denial

Sokunja denied that the order to dispose of prisoners was issued in retaliation for atrocities carried out by Allied forces against the Japanese.

Sokunja said that he did not know how many men would be required to guard the prisoners on the "Tone". He said, however, that to which the fighting efficiency of the "Tone" would be endangered by the presence of prisoners. It had been reported to him that over 100 prisoners were on board.

Sokunja disagreed that his reactions, on hearing of the sinking of the "Behar" were of anger. He thought that the "Tone" had sunk the "Behar" quicker than expected and was anxious to know the reason for the sinking.

Hearing was then adjourned till 10 a.m. today.

### MOVIE "STRIKE" IN PEIPING?

Peiping, Oct. 3. American and British film distributors today are prepared to leave Peiping without movie rather than run free markets for Chinese soldiers, officers and ranks.

The distributors offered free shows at times other than regular performances. The military, however, wanted theatres to be cleared for soldiers one matinee weekly and balconies reserved for officers once a week.

Unless a compromise is reached, American and British movies will stop running, leaving only one Soviet picture "Nightingale" to meet the public demand for foreign films.—United Press.

### UNIVERSITY STRIKE

Peiping, Oct. 3. Students of Yenching University participated in their two day strike called despite the liberation of the city whose arrest prompted the action.

The President's Peiping headquarters in announcing her release said that she and four male students belonging to other universities were arrested when they visited a house which had been under surveillance as a suspected Communist cell. The four men students were said to be freed on bail.—Associated Press.

### CHINESE TANKER FOR PERSIA

Shanghai, Oct. 3. The first Chinese oil tanker, the 10,000-ton "Yung Hung," will sail for Abadan, Persia, today to transport a cargo of crude oil from that country.

The tanker is owned by the China Tanker Company Limited, affiliated to the Chinese National Resources Commission, and received the final licence to transport oil today. It is expected to arrive in Abadan in 10 days.—Reuter.

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## NOTICE

A waterlogged rowing boat has been towed from the vicinity of Murray Pier to the Government Shipway, Yau Ma Tei, where it may be inspected.

The boat is not claimed by the rightful owner within seven days of the date of publication of this notice, will be sold to defray expenses.

Description: Length 20' 2", Breadth 6' 8", Depth 2' 8", Colour White, Clinker built.

J. HOLLY,

Harbour Master.

Harbour Department, Hongkong, 2nd October, 1947.

## ROYAL HONG KONG YACHT CLUB

Regatta Dance Sunday, 5th October

Members expecting to attend would assist by notifying (Club Steward or Secretary before Saturday evening, indicating number of guests.

Supper will be served at 8.30 p.m.

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## NOTICE

## ROYAL HONG KONG GOLF CLUB

As from Monday the 6th October the Secretary's Office will be transferred to Prince's Building, Room 233, second floor. Telephone No. 32340. Until further notice all accounts are still to be paid at the office of Messrs. Percy Smith & Co., Room 212 Windsor House.

D. W. MUNTION

Secretary.

## CHINA UNDERWRITERS, LIMITED

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RE-CONSTRUCTION OF REGISTER OF MEMBERS.

China Underwriters, Limited (hereinafter called "the Company") has applied to the Registrar of Companies for leave to reconstruct its Register of Members, under Section 12 of the Companies (Re-construction of Records) Ordinance, 1947.

The statutory declaration in support of the application and the exhibits thereto (being lists of persons who it is believed are entitled to be registered as shareholders of the Company) can be inspected, on payment of the prescribed fees, in the office of the Registrar of Companies, Supreme Court, Hong Kong. A copy of the statutory declaration and the exhibits thereto may also be inspected at the Company's Head Office during ordinary working hours.

All persons who claim to be entitled to be registered as shareholders of the Company must notify the Company of their FULL NAMES and ADDRESSES, their claim and the evidence upon which it is based WITHIN THREE MONTHS from the 22nd day of September 1947.

Persons who hold Share Certificates and Transfer Deeds (if any) are requested to produce them at the Company's Head Office if they have not already done so. Shareholders who have lost their scrip are requested to write to the Company giving all known particulars of their holding and the circumstances of the loss, when further information will be given as to any further evidence required.

All notices and communications should be addressed to the Company at its Head Office, 4A Des Voeux Road, Central, Hong Kong.

HERBERT R. STURT,

Managing Director.

Hongkong, 19th Sept., 1947.

## NOTICE

## THE HONG KONG AND YAUMATI FERRY CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Nineteenth Ordinary Annual Meeting of the Company will be held at the Company's Office, 3rd Floor, 144-148 Des Voeux Road, Central, Hong Kong, on Saturday the 4th October 1947 at 12.00 noon for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the Year ended 31st December 1946.

Notice is also given that the Share Register of the Company will be closed from the 27th September 1947 to the 4th October 1947, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

LAU TAK FO,

Managing Director.

Hong Kong, 20th Sept. 1947.

## NOTICE

Will Firms, Government Offices, Schools, Clubs and Hospitals, please note that Dollar Directory forms for the 1948 edition should be corrected and completed as soon as possible, and returned to the "CHINA MAIL" Office, Windsor House, without delay.

# ACQUITTAL OF A WAR HERO

## Farran Trial Verdict: No Case To Answer

### Handclapping In Court

Jerusalem, Oct. 2. The court-martial trying Captain Roy Alexander Farran, charged with the murder of a 16-year-old Jewish youth, Alexander Rubowitz, today ruled that there was "no case to answer" and freed the British officer. Shortly before the court's decision was announced, Captain Farran's counsel told the members of the court that, for the last 200 years in the history of criminal law in Britain, no accused had ever been convicted of murder and manslaughter in the absence of the body or part of the body.

## FORGERIES FLOODING ENGLAND

London, Oct. 2. Thousands of forged notes are finding their way to England from the Middle East. The notes have already been found in Manchester, Liverpool and London, and the British police authorities have been in touch with the Palestine police, who report that large quantities of forged notes are coming to light in Jordan, Syria and other Middle East territories. The notes have been sent to the Treasury department at Scotland Yard, where they have been examined by experts. They are of the latest type of blue note, but while the fronts are said to be excellent forgeries, the backs have a number of flaws.—Reuter.

## Moonlight Murder In Park

London, Oct. 3. An attractive 35-year-old blonde was the victim of a mysterious "moonlight murder" in Regents Park in the centre of London late last night.

Scotland Yard agents, lacking any hint of a motive, are searching for an unidentified man believed to have been with her during her last hours alive.

The woman was identified by relatives as Gladys Margaret Irene Hannan, a bookkeeper. She had long, wavy blonde hair and was wearing a blue dress. Police said the man had not been traced.

Her handbag, unopened, was found under the body, which was discovered by an office worker taking a short cut through the Park.—Associated Press.

## BACK TO WHERE THEY STARTED

Denver, Oct. 3. Dr. Viola Pettit, British archaeologist now carrying out research into Egyptian and Arabian history in the Colorado desert, has stumbled across the burial place of chiefs of a tribe that lived some 80,000 years ago. Well-preserved mummies, skeletons of elephants and tigers and crude implements have been unearthed. Remains of men nine feet tall have also been discovered.

It was determined that these giants wore a type of clothes that bear a striking resemblance to the present day Californian fashion trend—half-length trousers. It has often been said that history repeats itself.—United Press.

## SHARE BAN LIFTED

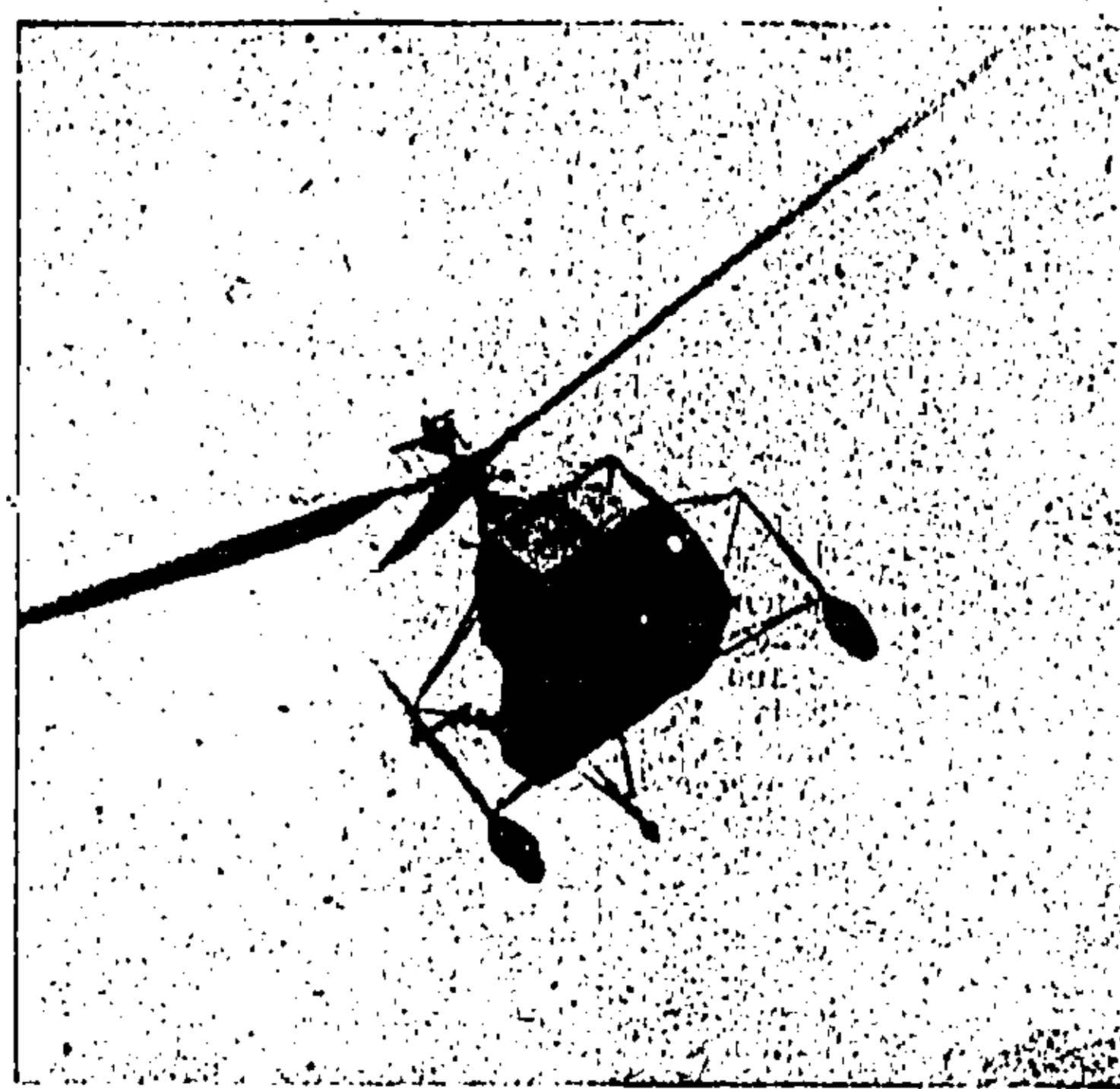
London, Oct. 2. The Government lifted its ban on dealings in the United States, Canada, Swedish and other foreign securities yesterday, restoring relatively free dealing to the London Stock Exchange for the first time since the beginning of the war.

Under the new Exchange Control Act the Government's wartime power to requisition foreign securities also lapsed. However, there was no early trade in overseas stock on the London Exchange.—Associated Press.

## LONDON SILVER & GOLD

London, Oct. 2. Silver, spot, fine ounce 43 1/2; Forward fine ounce 42 1/2; Bar, Gold, per fine ounce 172 1/2; U.S. per fine ounce \$35; (New York Free Market) \$42N.—Reuter.

## THE KING'S MAIL



News messages report that the King's mail will be delivered to Balmoral by helicopter. Here is a glimpse of the man who will do it—Squadron Leader Cable's aerobatic display with a helicopter in the presence of the visiting Soviet delegates at the R.A.F. School, Halton. Squadron Leader Cable is an entertaining exponent of helicopter technique, and he showed just how manoeuvrable these experimental craft can be.

## Military Pact In Mediterranean

Athens, Oct. 2. Despite denials from the Greek and Turkish authorities, a high Greek source today categorically re-affirmed the report that Greece and Turkey would shortly conclude an agreement for a co-ordinating committee of the countries' two General Staffs under American aegis.

The agreement, which "would be essentially defensive," could be expected to be signed within the next few days, this source said.

The role of the United States representative in the proposed co-ordinating committee would be that of an "observer."

The Greek Government last night said the report that the Americans were seeking to create such a co-ordinating committee was "inaccurate and completely without foundation," while United States sources in Athens were quoted as saying that they knew nothing of such a scheme.

The Anatolian News Agency today quoted the Turkish authorities as categorically denying the report.—Reuter.

## SOVIET MOVE IN ITALY

Rome, Oct. 2. A Foreign Ministry spokesman told a news conference that Soviet Ambassador Mikhail Kostylev yesterday afternoon handed Foreign Minister Carlo Sforza a communication which was "very important" to the improvement of relations between Italy and the Soviet Union. It was generally believed that it dealt with the Soviet attitude toward the disposition of Italy's colonies, scheduled to come up for discussion at the meeting of the Big Four Foreign Ministers deputies in London.—Associated Press.

## No Dollars,-- No Films

London, Oct. 2. Sir Stafford Cripps, Minister for Economic Affairs, told the Association of Specialised Film Producers that unless Britain obtains dollars she could not take American films.

"Sooner or later our American friends have got to realise that world trade must be carried on the basis of exchange, that one-sided trade, whether in motor cars or films, cannot exist for a prolonged period unless, of course, one country provides the money with which to buy its own goods," Sir Stafford Cripps said.

"Therefore, we shall have, most regretfully, to tell our American friends—no dollars, no films"—Reuter.

## AFRICAN GOLD IN BRITAIN

London, Oct. 3. The British Press Association said last night it had learned that gold valued at £1,000,000 from South Africa had been landed in Hull recently and transferred to the Bank of England.

Authoritative Government sources have said that South Africa was considering placing its gold output at Britain's disposal to ease the Empire's dollar shortage.—Associated Press.

## LONDON SILVER & GOLD

London, Oct. 1. Silver, spot, fine ounce 43 1/2; Forward fine ounce 42 1/2; Bar, Gold, per fine ounce 172 1/2; U.S. per fine ounce \$35; (New York Free Market) \$42N.—Reuter.

## ARGENTINE GOLD

Buenos Aires, Oct. 1. Sovereign, buyers 67.50; sellers 68.50; U.S. \$20 Eagle, 121.50; Dollar (piece de cinq) 470; Silver (plata) per Kilogram, 440.—Reuter.

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## BUENOS AIRES EXCHANGE

Buenos Aires, Oct. 2. Buenos Aires Oct. 2: London buyers 16.22; sellers 16.27; New York 403.25; 403.50; France 338.00; 339.00; Belgium 9.19; 9.21; Spain 27.62; Sweden 112.50; 113.00; Brazil 122.10; Switzerland 94.25.—Reuter.

## MEXICAN EXCHANGE

Mexico City, Oct. 2. Mexico City Oct. 2: London 1959; New York 485; Paris 450; Zurich 115; Hongkong 1,250; Bombay unquoted.—Reuter.

## ALEXANDRIA BULLION

Alexandria, Oct. 2. Gold, per 100 Egyptian pounds 470; Sovereign 524; Turkish Pound 360; Napoleon 360; Dollar (piece de cinq) 470; Silver (plata) per Kilogram, 440.—Reuter.

## ZURICH EXCHANGE

Zurich, Oct. 2. Zurich Oct. 2: London 47.35; New York 4.30; Paris 3.62; Brussels 5.87; Amsterdam 162.50; Lisbon 16.05; Buenos Aires 105.50; Stockholm 119.65; Madrid 37.75.—Reuter.

## NEW YORK SILVER

New York, Oct. 2. Silver, bar (dressed price) 71 1/2; Silver, spot 71 1/2.—Reuter.

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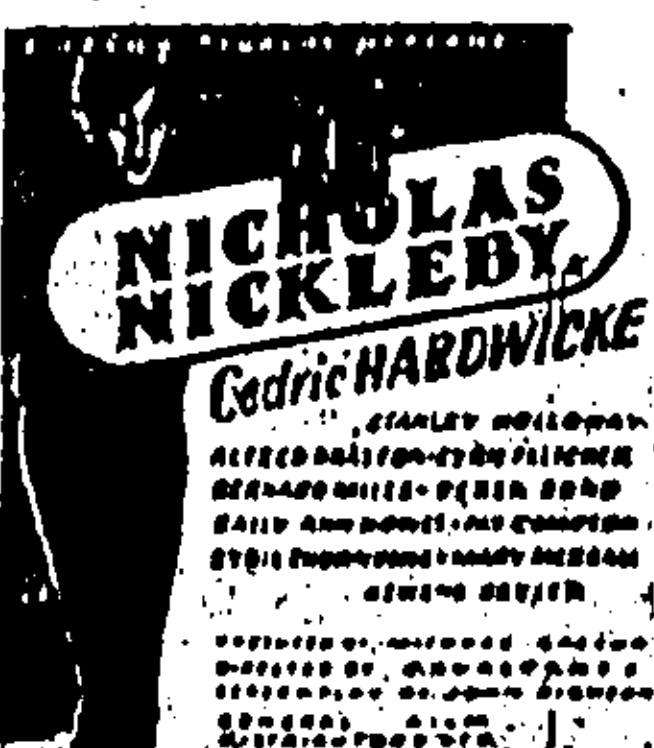
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RUHR COAL MANAGEMENT:  
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Planning  
Scheme

Edinburgh, Oct. 2.  
The famous thoroughfare, Prince's Street, is to be re-built under a planning scheme made public today.

The proposed reconstruction involves the replacement of existing buildings, a double deck roadway and diversion of the main line of railway traffic from the valley of Prince's Street Gardens.

The roadway underneath the present street is to be reconstructed with one side open so that there will be natural ventilation and lighting.

The main terminus is to be in the west of the city and it is proposed to use Waverley Station entirely for suburban and short distance traffic and to electrify and cover in the railway through Prince's Street gardens.

The plan involves the removal of many of the present population from industrial areas to new housing estates.—Reuter.

Too Much German  
Responsibility

Washington, Oct. 2.

France, Belgium and the Netherlands have protested against Anglo-American plans to vest greater responsibility for Ruhr coal production in German hands, it was learned today.

Diplomatic officials said the three countries have expressed concern over a possibility that the plan would result in the revival of German industrial power which would threaten their security.

Replies have not yet been made to the three notes which were delivered to the State Department during the past 10 days. Similar protests have been delivered to the London Foreign Office, informed sources said.

Following a month-long conference here the United States and Britain on Sept. 10 announced their intention to transfer considerable responsibility for Ruhr coal production to the Germans.

## Best Means

Under the plan a German coal management authority would be created to receive and implement directives issued by a joint Anglo-American control group. The appointment of Germans to administrative posts was considered by the United States and Britain to be one of the best means to increase the lagging coal production for European recovery.

Officials studying the French, Bel-

gian and Dutch protests summarized the objections of the three countries as follows:

France—German management of the Ruhr mines would prejudice their future status. It would grant the Germans more power and authority than they had before the war when the coal mines were operated by private owners.

Belgium—The appointment of a German director-general to direct Ruhr coal production is "unsatisfactory."

Netherlands—it objects to placing responsibility for coal production in

BAG TOOK  
WRONG PLANE

London, Oct. 2.

Mr. E. Latham, King's Messenger, was about to board an aeroplane for Vienna at the Northolt airport when he found that a bag was missing from his luggage. A search failed to reveal it and Mr. Latham left without it.

Foreign Office official has cleared up the mystery, saying: "A porter put the bag, which contained no official documents, on the Oslo plane by mistake. It went to Oslo and is now on the way back."—Reuter.

German hands instead of a decentralising authority. The Dutch Government held this was its understanding of the post-war Allied policy for the Ruhr mine.

The three governments also objected to the designation of German managers of former French, Belgian and Dutch mines which they believed should be returned to operation by their former owners.—United Press.

U.S. 'Expansionism'  
In Balkans

Lake Success, Oct. 2.

The United States Government was deliberately trying to use the United Nations to cover up their "expansionist penetration into the Balkans and the Near East," Bulgaria's Nissim Mevorah asserted today during the resumed debate on the Greek case in the Political Committee.

Criticizing the findings of the Balkans Commission report, he declared that Bulgaria neither supplied arms, financial help nor armed bands to help Greek guerrillas, nor did the ever-organise a propaganda campaign supporting Greek dissident groups. The so-called frontier incidents were merely a smoke-screen to camouflage the Greek Government's weakness and American intervention, he said.

"At present there are grave conflicts in Indo-China, Indonesia and Palestine which openly threaten peace," he said. "But in our case there is no such menace." M. Mevorah appealed to the Committee "not to sanction the creation of a new Balkan Enquiry Commission, which would be a source of endless trouble, expense, complications and misunderstanding."

After the Albanian delegate, in a long and violent speech, had accused the Greek Government of being responsible entirely for the disturbances and tension with her neighbours, the Political Committee adjourned the Greek debate until tomorrow.—Reuter.



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Wedemeyer Report  
Mystery

New York, Oct. 2.

"General Albert Wedemeyer's report to the State Department probably favoured United States aid to China but what or who is holding up its publication?" asks "Time" news magazine today.

"Time" reports: "A fortnight ago, Lt. General Albert Wedemeyer returned from his mission to China as fact-finder for the United States. To the State Department, he submitted a report of China's political, military and economic situation. On this report, presumably would be based one of the most important lines of United States foreign policy—what to do about China?"

"General Wedemeyer has always been anti-Communist. He

was anti-Communist during his earlier mission to China as Chief of Staff to General Chiang Kai-shek. His report on the Chinese situation could not be anything but anti-Communist and probably favoured United States aid to China. If so, it was big news to both countries. What for who? Americans wondered last week, was holding up its publication?"

Meanwhile, according to a nationwide editorial survey, American press opinion on China, for the week ending Sept. 27, centred on no one particular issue but discussion of China's internal difficulties continued.—Central News.

RUSSIANS BUSY  
IN SIBERIA

Anchorage, Alaska, Oct. 3.

Reports that Russia is constructing "rock houses" in the cliffs lining the shores of Siberia opposite St. Lawrence Island have been received from Siberian natives visiting the American island, the Rev. E.R. Parker, Presbyterian missionary on the island, said today.

He said the Siberian visitors knew little about the activity at Indian Point on Chukotski Peninsula (approximately 60 miles across the Bering Sea from St. Lawrence Island), but said the Russians were using large quantities of dynamite on the project.—Associated Press.

Red Barrage  
Continues

Moscow, Oct. 3.

Sections of the Moscow press asserted today that the "Anglo-American bloc" in the United Nations was guilty of "lowly intrigues" on the question of replacing Poland in the Security Council.

New York dispatches from the Tass News Agency and special Soviet correspondents also accused the British and Americans of "violating the principles of the U.N. Charter" in relation to voting.

"The Anglo-American bloc," said one dispatch, "is halting at no obstacle and is increasing its violations of the United Nations Charter and its main principles."—Associated Press.

MOUNTBATTEN'S  
WEDDING GIFT

Bath, Oct. 3.

Lieut. Philip Mountbatten, who will marry Princess Elizabeth on Nov. 20, today chose the wedding gift which the officers and men of his Naval unit will give him—a special book for signing, by visitors incorporating an illuminated address of esteem and good wishes.

Accompanied by a brother officer, Lt. Mountbatten drove over to Bath, historic picturesque city, from his station at Corsham in Wiltshire. He made his selection at one of the Bath book-binding firms noted for superior craftsmanship.—Associated Press.

Southern Railway To  
Have Diesels

London, Oct. 2.

Express diesel electric locomotives capable of reaching 100 miles per hour are expected to be in service on Britain's South Railway early next year.

So far, three of the locomotives have been ordered and are being built in the Company's own works at Brighton and, although suitable for working on any Southern Railway main line route, they will be used primarily on the principal west of England express. This route Waterloo to Plymouth, a distance of 234 miles, at present takes nearly six hours. However, the new locomotives are likely to reduce the journey time by as much as two hours.

Each locomotive will have a 1,600 horsepower diesel electric generator which will drive the motors on six of the eight axles. The locomotives will normally work in pairs but under one crew. Each unit will weigh 120 tons in working order.

The use of diesel fuel will produce a considerable saving in coal consumption. An approximate saving of 2,000 tons of coal a year will be saved on every diesel-driven train making a daily run to Plymouth and back.—United Press.







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## DEATH

DA SILVA. — On Wednesday, September 24, 1947, at the Shanghai General Hospital, Constantino Jose Da Silva, aged 33 years, dearly-loved husband of Emilia Celeste, father of Mrs. N. Sweeney, J. P. da Silva, L. G. da Silva and P. P. da Silva, and grandfather of Paddy, Brian, Virginia, Marzie, Elmy, Christina Belma, Evelyn, Gussie and Benny.

## HONG KONG AND CHINA

Nanking newspaper comments on Sir Alexander Grantham's courtesy visit to China's capital follow a familiar model. That in itself furnishes no occasion for surprise. It must be many years since a Governor of this Colony visited the seat of China's government in his official capacity and it is a natural enough reaction to re-examine any points of controversy that may exist, with a suggestion that the moment may be opportune to discuss them on a friendly basis with a view to a better understanding. Without a doubt there will be informal exchanges of views between His Excellency and the high Chinese officials entertaining him in Nanking on all problems affecting relations between China and Hong Kong, and doubtless, too these discussions will be beneficial. It is odd, nevertheless, that there should be nothing in the Chinese press comments which has not been the common currency of propaganda for some time past, and exposed time and again as tendentious. The smuggling issue, for instance, seems to be raised for no other purpose than to divert attention from the real sources of China's economic ills, and ignores the fact that Hong Kong's prosperity is so bound up with commercial prosperity within China that there never could be, nor ever has been, any hesitation in contributing everything this Colony can do to assist towards economic stability. That some smuggling takes place is acknowledged. But it must be recognised too that Hong Kong's record in seizures, in efforts to curb the traffic, has been quite a remarkable one, and that we have gone far beyond the point of our obligations in international society in organising the operations of our preventive service to protect China's interests. It would appear, too, that high quarters in the Chinese National Government have themselves placed the prime responsibility where it genuinely belongs, namely, within China itself. The appointment of Mr. T. V. Soong as Governor of Kwangtung could hardly have come about but for the conviction that a strong, possibly ruthless control at the top in Kwangtung was required to cure the ills of the province. At a different level, the same argument applies to the accusation that Hong Kong is harbouring Communists and other subversive elements. Here again, nothing is closer to this Colony's interests than a satisfactory political settlement in China, the end of civil war, and a chance for stable Government to establish itself firmly. But in the political struggle, we have no other choice, or proper course, than a strict neutrality. And if there has been the least divergence from that policy, it is quite impossible for anyone who has access to the facts to avoid the conclusion that the Kuomintang organisation has received most favours. It is, of course, much nearer the truth to insist that no encouragement is here given to any political activity whatever: it is merely that we do not interfere while individuals or organisations do nothing which conflicts with the laws of Hong Kong. Beyond that, this is, as far as we can make it, a free country.

## VETO AGAIN

The motive of Mr. Vyshinsky's use of the veto to prevent election of Italy to the United Nations would be interesting to learn, since it can only weaken

## CONTROVERSIES AT THE WAR OFFICE

By G.J.S. King

Two intensely interesting articles on Britain's War Secretaries have appeared in the Army Quarterly from the pen of G.J.S. King, from which the following extracts are called.

When, on the 12th of June, 1854, the fifth Duke of Newcastle, Secretary for War and the Colonies, became the first Secretary of State for War as a separate Department, he received his political death warrant rather than an enviable honour. It was nearly forty years since Britain had been engaged in a major war, and no attempt had been made to adjust the war machine to meet the revolutionary changes of those four decades. The task of revitalizing his Department was too herculean a task for the Duke, and he became inevitably a scapegoat for the administrative blunders of the Crimean campaign. He did not resent unduly the charge of inefficiency, but protested strongly against the more serious accusation of indifference, which he refuted in a moving speech in the House of Lords:

"I have been charged with indolence and indifference. My Lords, as regards indolence, the public have had every hour, every minute of my time. To not one hour of amusement or recreation have I presumed to think I was entitled. The other charge of indifference is one which is still more painful to me. Many a sleepless night have I passed in thinking over the ills which the public believe and say that I could have cured, and which, God knows, I would have cured had I been in my power."

## Byng of His Day

In an earlier day the Senior Service had been a distinguished admiral made a scapegoat pour encourager les autres, and it was shrewdly said of Newcastle that he was the "Byng" of his day.

The crisis was hastened by Lord John Russell (from within the Government's own ranks) voiced the opinion that the Secretary of State for the War Department and Secretary at War should be combined in the person of a man who "from experience of military details, from inherent vigour of mind, and from weight with House of Commons, could be expected to guide the great operations of war with authority and success." He—and the nation with him—concurred in the opinion that Palmerston was such a man. But "Pam" himself said that it was impossible for one man to fulfil the duties of those two offices. Moreover, while frankly admitting that he knew the nation expected him to manage the War Department better than anyone else he doubted if he would do it "half as well as the Duke of Newcastle."

When Lord Derby formed his second Ministry (in 1858) he gave the War Secretaryship to Jonathan Peel, who was promoted Lieutenant-General in the next year, and was the last soldier to hold the office until the day of Seely and Kitchener. Peel was brother of the great Sir Robert, and although more distinguished for his eminence as a patron of the turf than as a politician, knew at first hand the requirements of the Service.

Cardwell Reforms  
The War Secretaryship was the last office held by Sir George Cornwall Lewis (who, as Chancellor of the Exchequer, increased income tax to 1s. 4d. during the Crimean War, and reduced it to 7d. later).

It was the conclusive evidence of perfect organisation in the German triumphs in 1870-1871 which led to the minor revolution at the War Office initiated by Cardwell in Gladstone's first Administration. The Cardwell reforms include the introduction of the "short-service" system, the abolition of the purchase of commissions, and the localisation of regiments.

There have been few now living who can recall the bitter controversy occasioned by those startling changes at the War Office. Although even in his own day it was admitted that reorganisation was needed in the War Department the labour involved and the Opposition he encountered undermined Cardwell's health.

Victorian Era  
The problem of a Commander-in-Chief with wide powers has long ceased to complicate affairs at the War Office, but it was acute throughout the Victorian era. In the public eye the Commander-in-Chief was a practical man thwarted by a political theorist, and the reputation of the Duke of Wellington was such that to question his judgment in military matters was akin to heresy. It was Wellington who complained early last century that the Commander-in-Chief "could not move a corporal's party from London to Windsor without permission from the Secretary of War" (because shifting of troops was a public expense. Even after Wellington's death the problem remained for the Duke of Cambridge in his forty years' occupancy of the same exalted office, enjoyed by reason of his royal birth the deference that a "distinguished record" had conferred on his predecessor.

During the opening years of the Cambridge regime (which began in 1850) the Duke was in accord with the "success" of the War Secretaries, but the Cardwell reforms "subordinated his office to that of the Minister, and the proposals of the War Office, included in the recommendations of the Committee on the War Office, should be abolished."

ed, although, in deference to the Duke, it was suggested that this step should be deferred while he lived. In 1896, however, the Duke relieved a delicate situation by resigning.

## Indiscreet

Despite a change of Government pacifist followed pacifist at the War Office for the Marquis of Lansdowne, who took office under Salisbury, will be remembered for his courageous if indiscreet advocacy of "peace by negotiation" in the 1914-1918 war. His policy at the War Office was to carry out the reorganisation recommended by the Hartington Commission, thus bringing under Parliamentary control (by transfer to the War Secretary) much of the administrative power previously vested in the Commander-in-Chief—a prelude to recommending the Commission, Lansdowne, sharing the fate of Newcastle before him, bore the brunt of criticism for early failures in the South African War, and, after the "Khaki Election" of 1900, made for St. John Broderick who, in turn, was followed by Arnold-Forster. Arnold-Forster was noted merely the predecessor but the stern critic of Haldane, and "Boha" contributed a foreword to "A.F." Military Needs and Military Policy (published in 1908) which was a counterblast to Haldane's measures. But even Arnold-Forster's colleagues had not all been in agreement with his Army proposals.

## Haldane

Viscount Haldane of Cloan was a "philosopher by choice, a lawyer by profession, a Cabinet Minister by force of circumstances." Although many would be found to dissent from Haldane's eulogistic dictum that "Haldane was the greatest Secretary of State for War that England ever had," there has been a marked reaction of opinion—both expert and public—in Haldane's favour. His appointment by Campbell-Bannerman, in 1905, was strongly criticized, but the result of those "reform years" between 1905 and 1912 "was the reorganisation of the Army, the creation of the Imperial General Staff, the establishment of the O.T.C., and the placing of the Territorial Army on a sound footing. The man who was proud to acknowledge Germany as his "spiritual home" could claim a great deal of the credit for the fact that an Expeditionary Force whose efficiency was out of all proportion to its numbers was available to check Germany's scheme of swift conquest in 1914.

## Controversy

Controversy is an inevitable accompaniment of far-reaching reform, and there will be many who recall Lord Robert's criticisms of the Haldane plans, and also the attacks of Lord Wemyss, whose long public career extended from the Aberdeen Ministry during the Crimean War to the very eve of war in 1914. The man who had seen the Crimean disasters, and opposed the Cardwell measures, lived to attack the Haldane plan in the House of Lords in his ninetieth year, and was only five years from his century (which, however, he did not complete) when he wrote to the Times in 1913 describing the military system of the nation as having been "fatuously destroyed several years ago."

Colonel Seely (Lord Mottistone)—another of the few soldiers to become War Secretary—followed Haldane in 1912, and it is history within the memory of many of us how the Curragh sensation in 1914, compelled his resignation, the Premier (Asquith) himself taking over the War Office. But the world was on the verge of a greater crisis, and no one ever came to the War Office with more hearty goodwill from all sides than Kitchener of Khartoum in August 1914. It was natural that in the time of war a great grip the public imagination more strongly than a civilian, and seldom in British history has a man commanded such confidence as "K. of K." at the War Office in the early days of the first World War.

It was the merit of Kitchener that almost alone he visualised the probability of a long war, and realised, moreover, the inevitability of the attack through Belgium, and the perilous situation of the little British Army. It was also to his credit that he made immediate provision for a substantial increase in the size of the Army. Whatever the justice of the criticisms levelled against him he retained the confidence

of the bulk of his compatriots to the end. Not only was he one of the few War Secretaries who died while in that office, he was the only one who died while actually on duty.

## Lloyd George

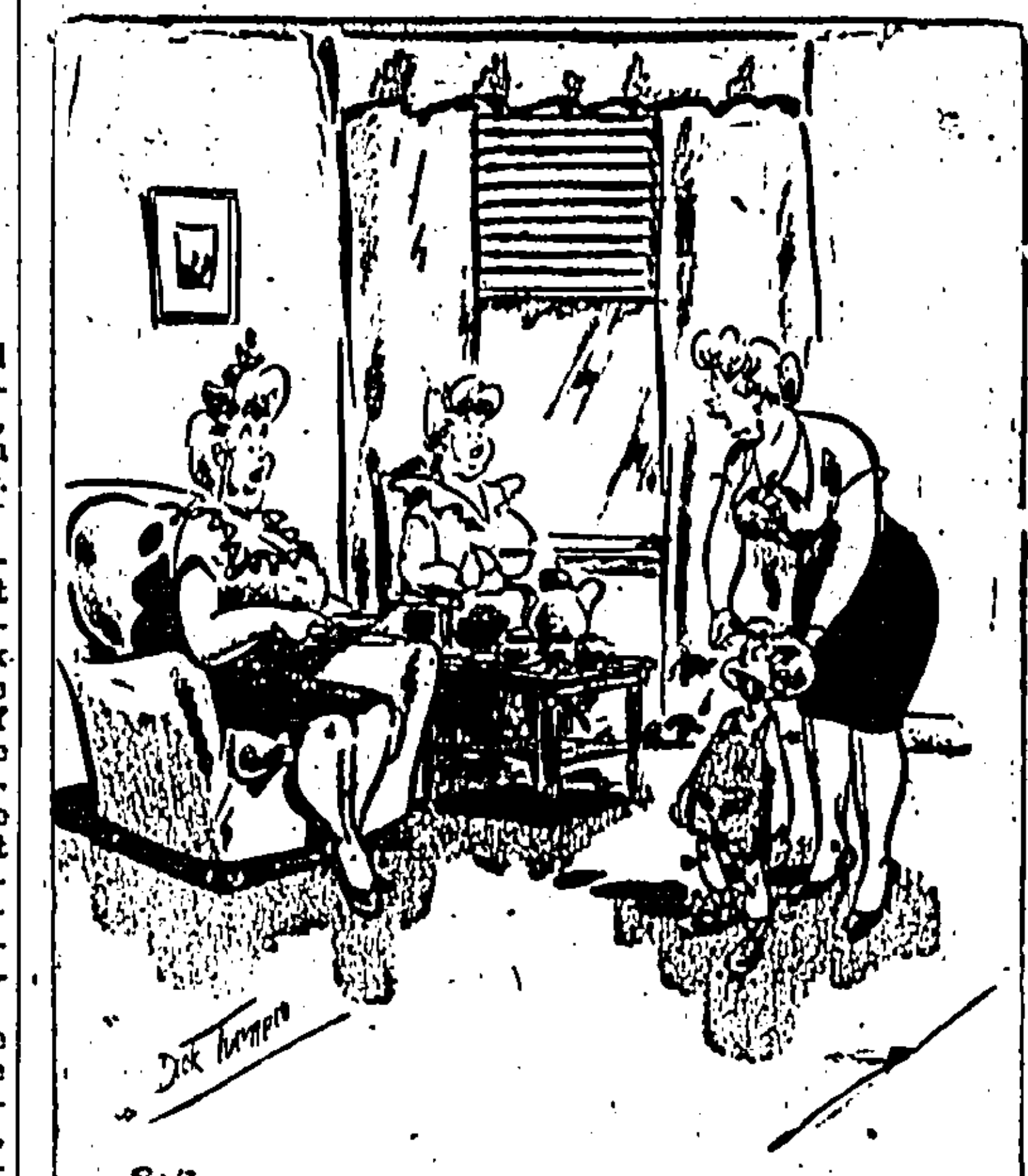
After a brief emergency re-occupation by Asquith on Kitchener's death, in 1910, Lloyd George succeeded at the War Office, but it has been recorded that he did so with some reluctance, for he left the Ministry of Munitions (in which, being a new creation, he had been unfettered) to enter an office where "the views of the generals were regarded as sacrosanct." There were, in fact, clashes between the unorthodox and vigorous "L.G." (who like Churchill, was one of the Palmerstonian school) and the Army Council; but again affairs were heading for a crisis, and Lloyd George became yet another to step straight from the War Office to the Premiership. Lord Derby, who followed him, had already initiated the "Derby Scheme" as Director-General of Recruiting, and had already held the offices of Financial Secretary to the War Office, and Under-Secretary. He eventually returned to the War Office in 1922. Before the break-up of the Coalition Lord Milner, Mr. Churchill, and Sir Laming Worthington-Evans held the office of War Secretary in turn.

## Choice Withdrawn

It must have been surely pre-ordained that "Winston" should never hold any office except at a time when its problems present peculiar difficulties. He has recorded that after the 1910 election "L.G." said to him: "Make up your mind whether you would like to go to the War Office or the Admiralty" but, with demobilisation and the restoration of discipline after the Armistice, the chief of many problems, the position at the War Office was so much more critical than at

## CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"Oh, it's nothing—he's just fussing! He says you're sitting on his chocolate cake!"

## BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By Shepard Barclay

"The Authority on Authority"

## WE ALL CAN BE FOOLED

Even the best of players are hamstrung occasionally by a smart opponent who bamboozles them out of a good result on a deal by fooling them with a particular bid or play. Sometimes it is a combination of them—unorthodox bidding followed by a false-card on some early trick which makes his hand seem different from what it is. After you have fallen for such an artifice, it may develop that you should have protected yourself against the chance that he was trying monkeyphins. When that is the case, you feel worse than ever about it, though you must admire him for putting it over.

SA 9  
HAK 87  
D 32  
C 94

SKQ83  
HJ5  
AQ64  
CK32

642  
HQ1096  
DKJ  
CAQJ6

(Dealer: East. Both sides vulnerable.)

East	South	West	North
Pass	1C	1D	1H
Pass	INT	Pass	2NT
Pass	3NT		

More orthodox bidding led all but a few of the North-South pairs into 4 hearts on this duplicate deal, and many a one made the game, as two tricks were lost in diamonds and one each in the black suits regardless of whether North or South was the declarer.

In the bidding shown above, South's venturesome bidding, followed by a tricky play, produced

whopping big score. He later defended his first No Trump bid by saying the strength showed by North's free bid of hearts must have included some spade strength to stop that suit.

If West had led his unbid spades, it developed that South could have scored game with two tricks there, four in hearts and three in clubs. But West decided to lead the diamond 4. South studied plenty before playing from the dummy, and very intensely after East put on the J. He decided that if he played the J, West would know he had the K and might drop it with the A. But if he took his trick with the K, West would probably reckon East might have the sequence of the 8-9-10-J originally, so might lead low the next time. Hence he played the K.

South led to the heart A and finessed the club Q to the K. Just as South hoped the diamond 4 was returned to his J, he thereupon saw his hearts, clubs and the spade A to make an extra trick. West is still kicking himself.

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(Dealer: North. North-South vulnerable.)

After West leads the spade 10, how should South seek maximum results in his 3-No Trump contract?

the Admiralty that the choice was withdrawn. Winston, became moreover, "their" to the pledges and tragedies of the Russian campaign; and had the further problem—one that has returned today—of the disposal of the 250,000 Germans prisoner of war in British hands.

The Secretaries for War in the days since the First World War are too recent a memory to need reviewing. They include three Labour Ministers (Stephen Walsh, Tom Shaw, and Jack Lawson), yet another Stanley (Olivier), a civil servant (Sir James Grigg), such noted politicians as Halifax, Eden and Hall, and two others of the select band of "controversial" War Secretaries in Duff Cooper and Hore-Bellish.

It was noticeable that during the recent war popular appreciation of civilians flouting the judgment of skilled soldiers and sailors was never so acute as in the First World War, largely no doubt because a civilian was at the helm who carried public confidence as, perhaps, no British civilian in war has ever done except the Earl of Chatham. It was a shaft of exquisite irony that the same civilian had been the chief target of the critics in the first war, and had been excluded from office in the Lloyd George Ministry in 1916 because of Press hostility. It is illuminating to read Mr. Churchill's own comments on this vexed civilian versus Service problem, sharpened as they were by bitter personal experience. In his "World Crisis" he writes:

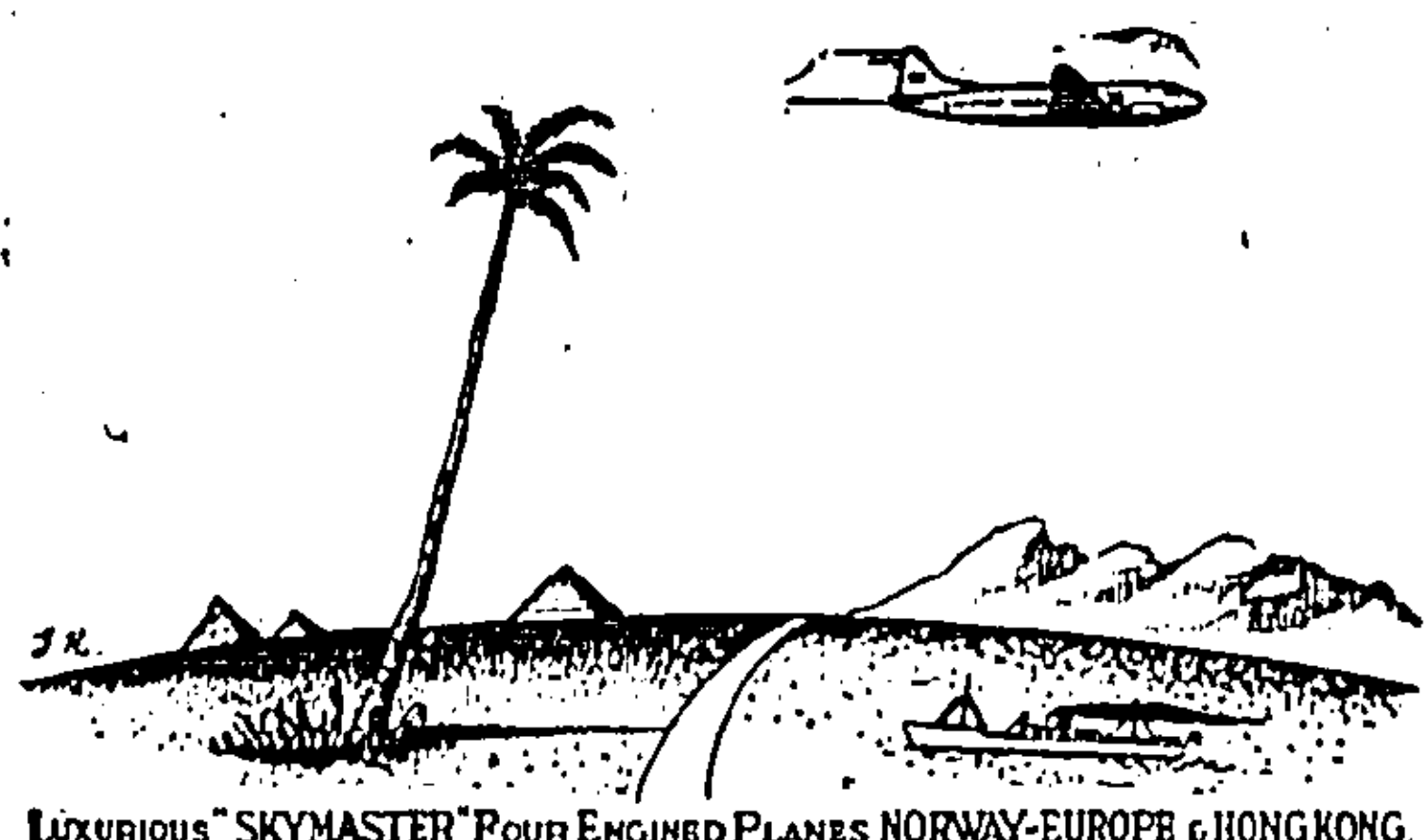
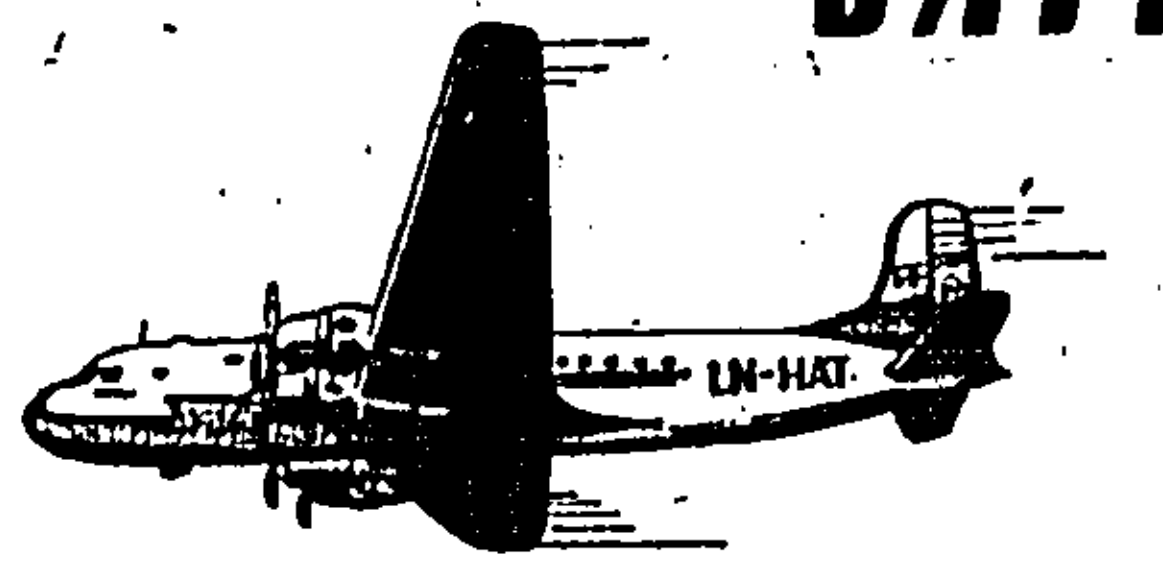
## Absurd Conventions

"A series of absurd conventions became established, perhaps inevitably, in the public mind. The first and most monstrous of these was that the General and Admiral were more competent to deal with the broad issues of the war than able men in other spheres of life."

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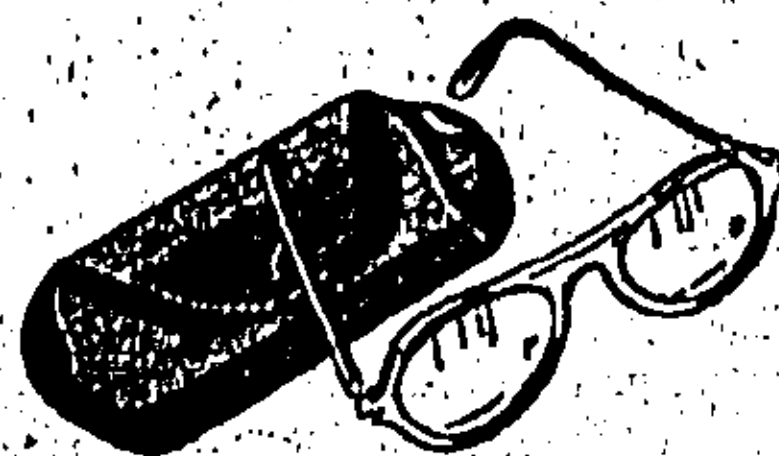
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## FORMER ITALIAN COLONIES

### Italy Pessimistic About Settlement

#### Arab Claims For Libyan State

London, Oct. 2.  
Italian diplomatic circles in London were pessimistic today about the likelihood of an early settlement of the future of former Italian colonies in Africa, though they agree that some speed had been shown in convening tomorrow's meeting of special deputies in London.

They expected that a final decision would take two years—most of the time spent by the special Big Four Commission to study conditions there and to take into account the wishes of the inhabitants.

The name circles believed that Italian representatives would not be consulted in the first stage of the London talks. However, colonial experts from Rome might arrive to be "handy" to the special deputies, they said.

"It will depend on the work of the special deputies what further steps the Italian Government would take to reiterate the Italian case and when further proposals would be made," these circles added.

In the meantime, there were four acute problems awaiting solution, Italian sources said. These are:

1. The future of some 70,000 Italians who left former Italian colonies, particularly Tripolitania, at the outbreak of the war. They have not been allowed to return because of the restrictions imposed by the Allied authorities. Their business, property and farms are "going to pieces," Italian sources said.
2. Only few of the 9,000 children of families living in Tripolitania who went to Italy in 1940 have been allowed to return to their parents.
3. Italian farmers in Somaliland have not been permitted to resume farming on their own estates, following the decision of the Allied authorities that the country is not suitable for farming.

4. Many Italian farms, source of tropical products, have reverted to desert without Italian labour to cultivate them. Nomadic Arabs were not keen on farming and an important amount of foodstuff was being lost.

#### Arab State?

Meanwhile, the Egyptian point of view on the future of Italian colonies in Africa was handed in the form of a note to the Foreign Office and the American, French and Russian embassies in London today.

The note is understood to run to three long sheets. It was despatched as soon as the Egyptian Embassy received its instructions from Cairo.

The note follows the case for Arab League, apart from particular claims of Egypt in North Africa, details of which have not been divulged.

The Arab League wants Libya as an independent Arab State to be incorporated in the League, which envisages union of all Arab peoples from the Persian Gulf to the Atlantic.

—Reuters.

## SECRET WORK ON ROCKETS

Wellington, Oct. 2.  
New Zealand will join Australia and Britain in secret research work on the Australian experimental rocket range, it was authoritatively learned today.

New Zealand's help had been invited by Australia and was likely to take the form of scientific aid, it was added, but the exact nature of it would be decided next month at the London Imperial Scientific Conference.

—Reuters.

## Looking At It From Wrong Angle

Lake Success, Oct. 2.  
The Indian delegate, Mr. S.N. Mahtha, today warned the United Nations General Assembly's Economic Committee not to look at all the world's economic problems from an advanced industrialised American and European angle.

"There is already a tendency in this direction," he declared. "It is important to remember that the rapid development of less industrialised countries is essential not only to the interest of backward countries but equally in the interest of world economy as a whole."

"It is only just and equitable that the backward countries be afforded an ample opportunity to develop their potentialities, which, in some cases, are vast, as in the case of India," —Reuters.

## Moscow Accuses On Korea Deadlock

Moscow, Oct. 2.  
Charging the United States with responsibility for the deadlock in the joint United States-Soviet Commission for Korea, the Soviet Government newspaper, Izvestia, today declared that submission by the United States of the Korean question to the United Nations was an attempt to camouflage the expansionist policy of the United States.

Izvestia quoted a United States Government publication giving details of the transfer of responsibility for civil administration in Korea from the United States Army to the State Department.

"The significance of this project will become understandable if one takes into account that the entire industrial and agricultural property belonging to the Japanese is now in the hands of the United States authorities," the Izvestia said.

"In this way it has been planned to make American economic domination less visible, and at the same time to strengthen it."

A reservation that United States military obligations in Korea were unalterable meant, the Izvestia said, that America "does not intend to withdraw her troops from Korea" in spite of the Soviet proposal for a joint withdrawal by the beginning of 1948.

"Thus the policy of the United States of imposing its will on its partners, a policy of unilateral actions and disregard towards the small nations, has found clear expression in the entire attitude of the United States representatives on the Korean question," the newspaper added. —Reuters.

Two others, Alexandre Gintchev and Tonic Ivanov, accused of having assisted Stoyanov, were sentenced to one year's imprisonment.

The news agency said that Stoyanov made a statement to the tribunal admitting his guilt, and saying that he had given orders aimed at provoking anti-Government activities and facilitating the seizure of power by the opposition, with foreign intervention if necessary.

Petkov, who was hanged in Sofia last week on a charge of treason, had obtained promises for such intervention, Stoyanov said. —Reuters.

Bradford, Oct. 2.  
Jennifer, third of quadruplet girls born on Sunday to Mrs. Frank Horner, died last night, leaving three only. Maternity doctors said she was "not very strong."

Patricia and Joyce, the other two quadruplets, died on Tuesday. Associated Press.

## Tories Call For Election

Brighton, Oct. 3.  
The Conservative Party adopted at its annual conference today a resolution rapping the Labour Government for failing to meet the economic crisis and calling for a new Parliamentary election.

The conference, largest in the Party's history, adopted the resolution by unanimous vote after Anthony Eden, former Foreign Secretary and deputy leader of the Party, had called for Winston Churchill's return to the Prime Ministry to rid Britain of "disorganisation, confusion and loss of efficiency."

Sir Herbert Williams, author of the resolution, told 3,000 cheering delegates that "we have today the most fantastically incompetent government that has ever existed in these islands."

Mr. Eden, summarising the platform on which he said the Conservatives would seek a return to power, declared that the main plank would be "no more nationalisation."

"There were cheers as speakers cited Government's assumption of powers to search without warrants, restrict newspaper, govern by decrees and direct labour as evidence of a totalitarian trend," Associated Press and United Press.

## Poltergeist At Work

Rye, Oct. 3.  
Mine host of the Standard Inn here is worried by a poltergeist—mischievous spirit—which has been overturning tables, scrambling bedsheets and scattering clothing after lock-up time nightly.

Experts from the Society of Psychical Research are watching the Inn in the hope of personally witnessing the phenomena which superstitious folks hereabouts ascribe to the ghost of a Mayor of Rye supposed to have been murdered on the inn doorstep in the 14th century.

Landlord of the ancient hostelry, A. T. Eastwood, fears that his poltergeist may decide to open the beer taps, or even drink some of the brew—and beer is in short supply.—United Press.

## RATIONS AND DIVORCE

London, Oct. 3.  
In a doleful prophecy of what to expect in the way of public health unless there is an increase of rations commensurate with the Government demand for increased output, Dr. John A. McCuskie, writing in the medical magazine "Lancet" says:

"It should not look for loss of weight at first but for signs of irritability of the nervous system—namely, increase of nervous diseases, a proportionate increase of divorce and increase of strikes and unrest. Increase of tuberculosis could be expected and a decrease in the birth rate after the Service gratuities have been spent; what is not important, a drop in the national standard of athletic distinction." —United Press.

## Professor's Trial For Treason

Belgrade, Oct. 2.  
Dr. Dragoljub Jovanovitch, former University of Belgrade professor and leader of the Serbian Peasant Party, pleaded not guilty today before the Serbian Supreme Court to charges that he conspired to overthrow the Yugoslav Government and took orders from members of the British intelligence service.

Professor Jovanovitch declared that he had committed no crime "against the people or against the country."

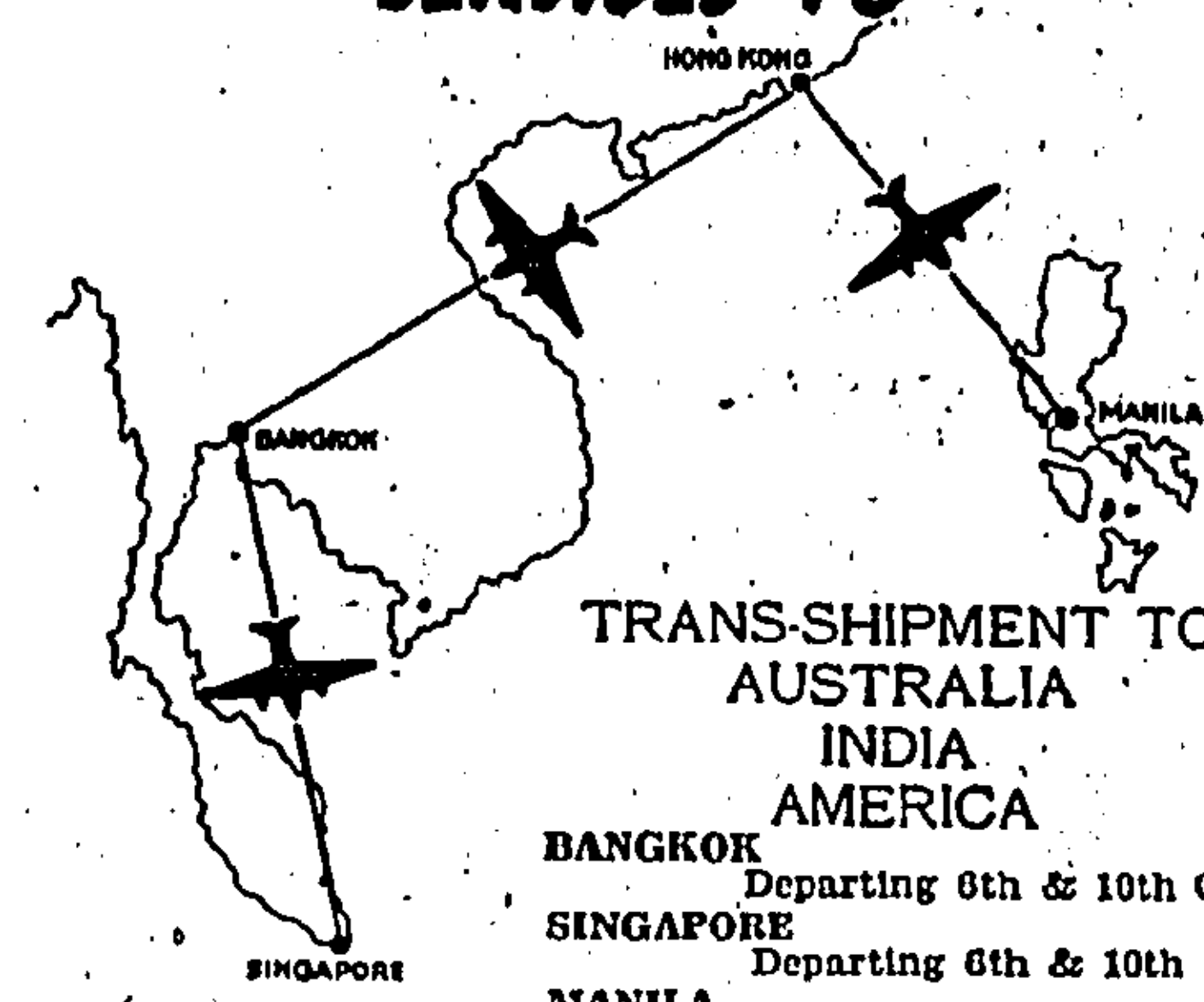
Franjo Gasi, a former Government official who was indicted with Professor Jovanovitch, pleaded guilty to the charges yesterday.

They were alleged to have organised a "Peasant Bloc" on orders of Mr. Stephen Gilasold, former Press Attache at the British Embassy in Belgrade, and a journalist, Mr. Hugh Seton-Watson, who, the prosecution alleged, were members of a foreign intelligence agency.

He said that he had only vaguely heard in June 1946, that the "British were dissatisfied with the work of the opposition" and that "a man named Gilasold is interested in our internal situation." He flatly denied that he was aware that the formation of the Peasant Bloc was Gilasold's idea. —Reuters.

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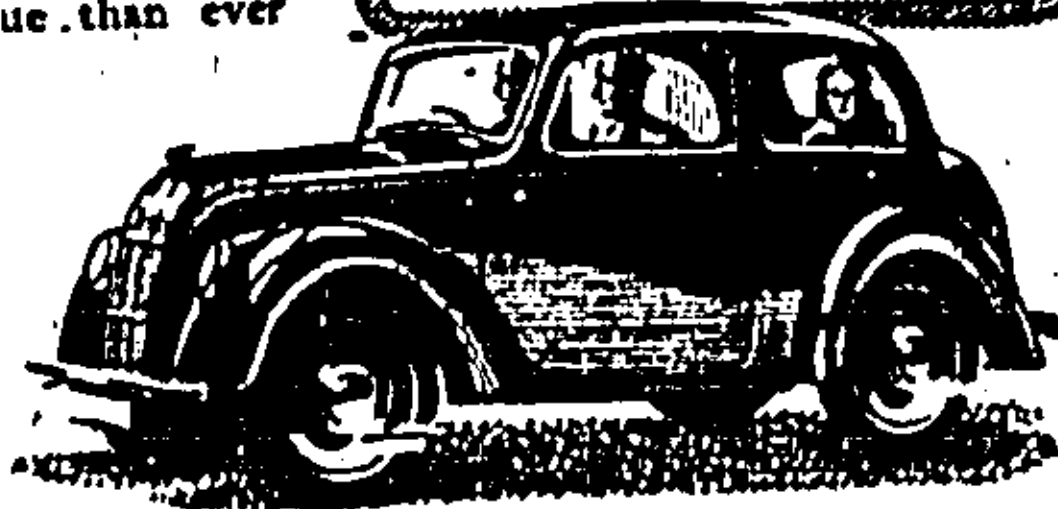


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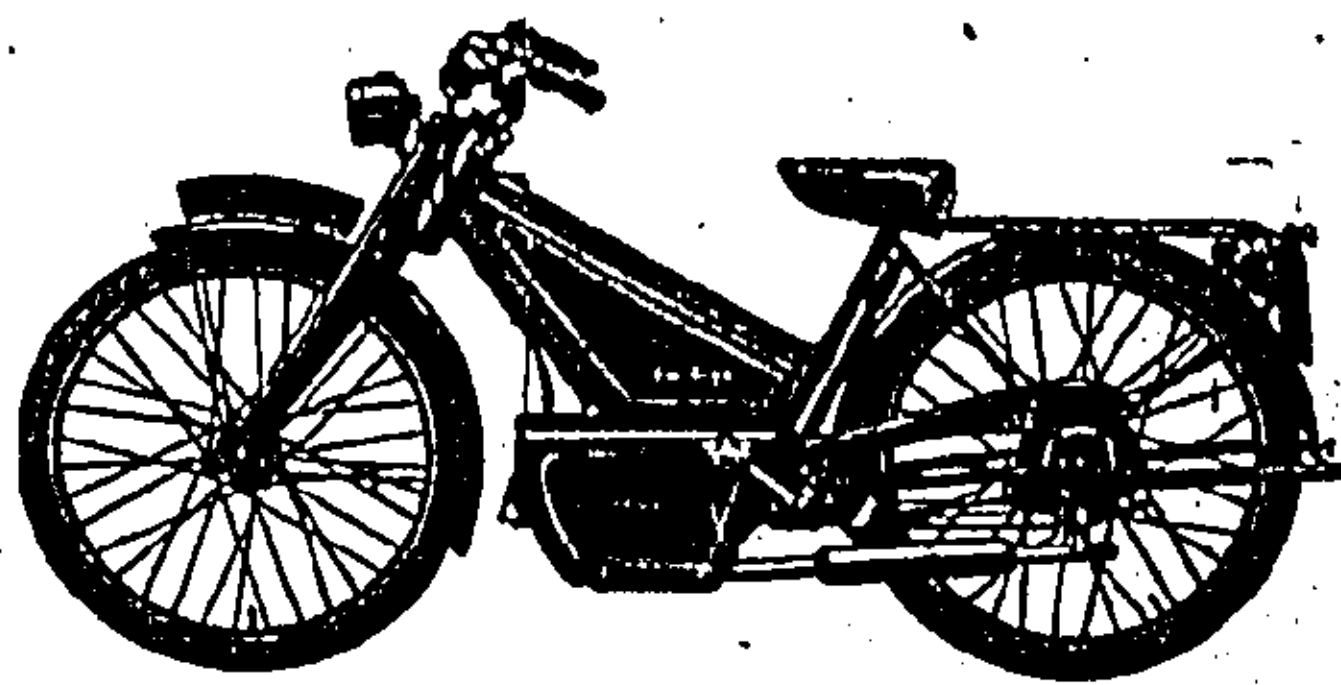
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# MOTERING NEWS AND VIEWS

## Exit The Juniors? To Drop The Small Car Would Be Over-Rationalization

No one could say that the motor industry has failed to respond to the invitation contained in the Chancellor of the Exchequer's new taxation proposals. Hardly had Parliamentary discussion on the implications of the flat rate ceased when the drapes swung back from the new Standard Vanguard in the Dorchester Hotel in Park Lane. Vauxhall's dropped the Ten. Rumours began to fly round Coventry—"something big... one model"; two models only where hitherto there had been four; and so on. What would Cowley do? The hint came that Cowley might hold the popular Dagenham?

Dagenham might well do something bold, it was thought; people remembered Henry Ford and the Model T.

All of which added up to little that was concrete; but it gave a warning to those on the sidelines who have watched the game—with a thorough knowledge of it—for years. The pendulum looked like swinging from minicars to maxicars. Over-rationalization seemed to be threatening the British small car; in fact, it still appears to be doing so. At this point the spectators feel that they must rise in their seats and "root for Junior."

To do so will not make the "Autocar" popular with some

is whether on present figures and other factors in his organization it is necessary to duplicate his machine tools, and if so, whether he shall duplicate a single car model or have two strings to his bow in the form of two different models. From the statements and rumours in evidence it appears that the decision is by no means clearly dictated by present circumstances, but that there is a substantial margin for calculation before deciding in that case the "Autocar" unhesitatingly advises the makers to think twice about dropping the smallest cars which are listed at the moment—the Eight.

It is at this point that the views of the owner become important—not the overseas owner. Any manufacturer who plans his production with an eye solely on overseas markets is heading for bankruptcy in these days of shifting economic and political sands. Who would have thought a year ago, for instance, that half the world close its doors against British cars?

The home owner is going to be a poor man for some years. Never mind the talk of "too much money" that is so widespread today; think rather of the "too few goods" that it chases. A nation's wealth lies in its production of goods, not

many motorists are there who have not an awkward corner in the driver, or in a country lane which is regularly visited, which is easy with a small car but which would be difficult with a large one? To the expert driver such a consideration may seem absurd. But all drivers are not experts; nor have they sufficient knowledge of cars to make their choice for reasons such as performance or equipment, thus getting such small things as awkward corners into their correct perspective. Elderly country motorists are often safe but timid; indeed, there is a streak of timidity in most good drivers—it may be that which makes them safe. How many drivers really welcome driving a strange car straight into, say, the West End of London, or up Sauchiehall Street, Glasgow, on a Saturday evening? The country motorist, therefore, who lives amongst the lanes where the local bus is a formidable obstacle, and whose motoring is largely a matter of visiting friends or going to a sleepy little town on a weekday, may well find that his driving preference for the small and handy car outweighs all other considerations.

Two womenfolk have an increasing say in the matter, too. There are few women who look really happy behind the wheel of a big car, but there are thousands who nip happily round the shops in an Eight, treading through the gaps, parking in the minimum of space, and rounding the acute-angled bends in one.

These considerations introduce a proviso, however. For the purpose of this article the "small car" is taken to be the Eight, but the engine limit need not be rigid. Manufacturers may well feel—in company with some motorists—that the 8 h.p. engine provides only just enough power, and that 10 h.p. would make all the difference. They may be right; but if so, the 10 h.p. engine should drive the same body size of car as the 8 h.p. does at the moment. That conveniently small, but quite large enough, body size should not be allowed to disappear.

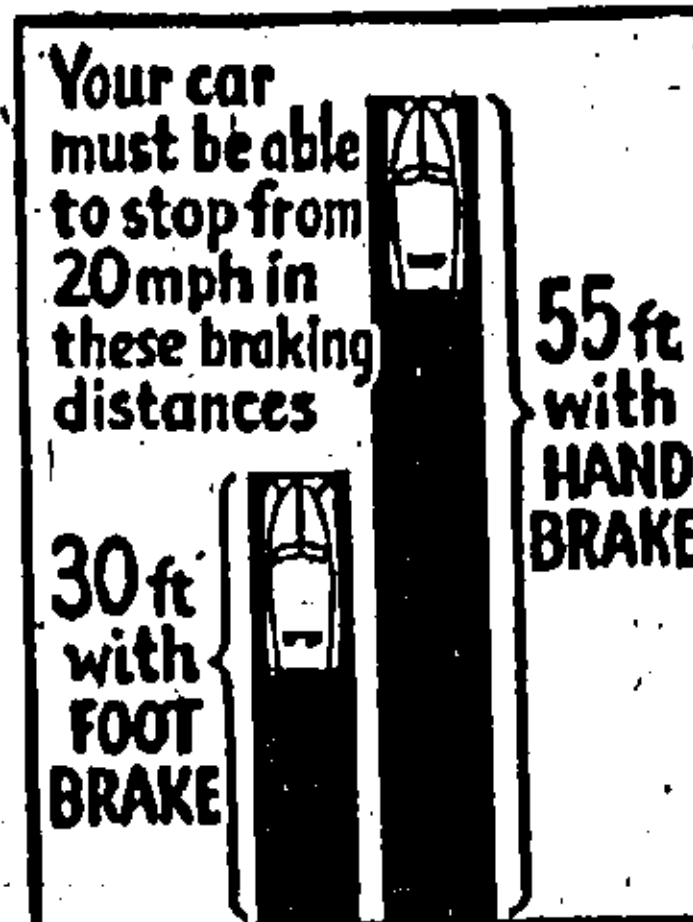
Is the four-seater Eight "quite large enough"? For a variety of owners, yes. Over the five years 1936-40 there were 421,700 marriages in the U.K., while the births totalled 724,500, which gives an average family of less than two children. Not many motorists buy cars for their friends in addition to their family, so that a four-seater fills the bill for the majority of British motorists.

### Other Countries

Lessons may also be drawn from other countries. Not from the U.S.A., from which so many lessons in regard to motoring can be learned. The U.S. is a vast, new country with block-pattern cities and high-speed, long-distance routes—essentially a big car country.

A comparable country with Britain is Italy where, before the war, nothing so punitive as the taxation system in this country hampered the development of big cars. Yet Italy produced what was probably the finest really small car in the world in the shape of the Fiat 500; and it sold like hot cakes, not only in Italy but also overseas, which latter fact should addititionally influence the manufacturers. Although, as has been stated before, it would be a mistake to design purely for the export market, the fact that a steady demand exists overseas for the small car should not be overlooked. It is the one model against which there is no American rival.

These arguments in favour of the small car are not intended to disparage the larger car that is designed with complete freedom from artificial restrictions. The advent of that model will one day be recognized as a great day in British motoring. And such a car need not fear for its home market; for there are very many motorists of purpose who want just that type, quite apart from its overseas appeal. Nor



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The argument put forward here is that there still exists a healthy demand for small cars, which must be met. The type is complementary to the large car in a balanced motoring picture.

The fact that there should be fears that the Eight may disappear is, indeed, rather surprising. Perhaps some executives of the motor industry have become rather remote from the requirements of the ultimate buyer after six years of specialized war work and a subsequent period of unsatisfied demand. There is nothing about the Eight is likely to lose its popularity. There is nothing about retail marketing as a whole which suggests that there is no room for an example of any kind of goods which is built down to the lowest possible cost. Woolworth's made millions by appreciating the vastness of the marginal market.

### Two Models

Having supported the retention of the small car so strongly, it is incumbent on those who do so to suggest just what they want, particularly as past references to rationalization in this journal may have given the impression that no degree of rationalization could be an exaggeration. It is the view of the "Autocar" that two models from a single big-scale manufacturer should not be too few or too many. One of these should be the car that is to take advantage of the new tax flat rate, and that is to compete with America in the export market. The other should be a small car made, as the Eight is now, mainly for the benefit of the British buyer. The word "utility" is a poor one, with a depreciatory meaning owing to its application elsewhere, but it does exactly describe the type of car wanted—one without frills but with nothing essential missing which is produced at the lowest possible cost. This presupposes that the "utility" car should be small in engine, and in body dimensions.

There is little doubt that manufacturers will come round to this point of view within a short time, in spite of the fact that at this moment there are instances where it seems to have been abandoned. The Juniors must continue. Whether they should become smaller still in engine size is a bigger question that is less easily answered. For the present, however, the answer would seem to be no. An 8 h.p. engine provides adequate power but it does not provide a reserve for bad driving judgment, very steep hills or for sustained high speeds. For the moment the Eight is small enough. With increased design efficiency made possible by better petrol it might be practicable to build smaller engines with the same h.p. and with even greater economy, in which case a new small car standard may well be established.

Mr. H. W. Light has been appointed a director of the Rootes Group, including the Thrupp & Motors Ltd., which he joined in 1932 as an assistant production manager. In 1937 he was appointed commercial manager, and a few years later he became manager and subsequently general manager.



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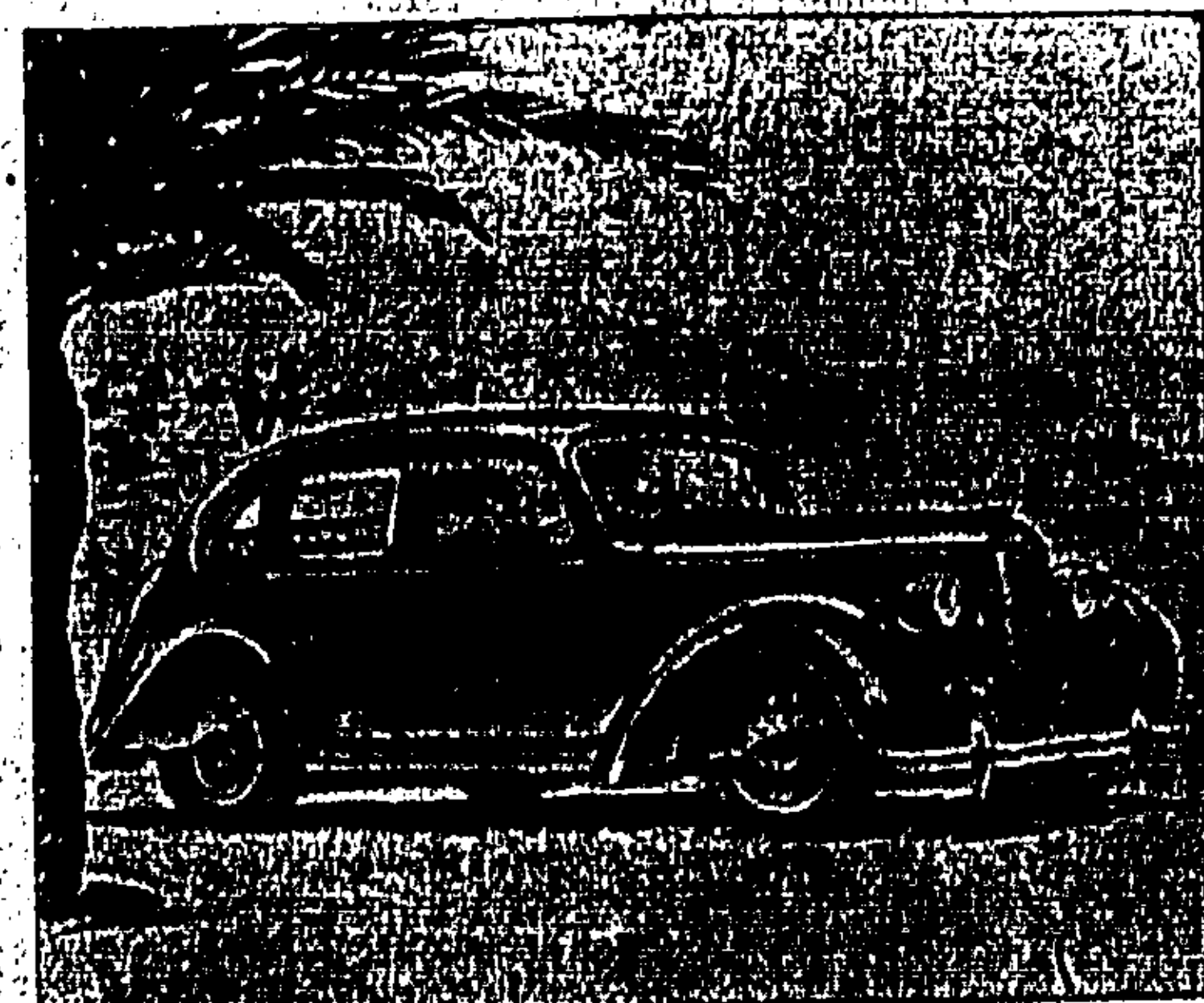
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# THESE ARE THE LONELIEST WOMEN IN THE WORLD

By ALVIN STEINKOPF

Russia obviously would like to drop the subject—but millions of sentimental and outraged Britons are constantly reminding the Soviet Union that it is holding within its borders fifteen wives of Englishmen.

For two years the English husbands, back from military and diplomatic service in the Soviet Union, have been trying to bring the Russian girls they married to homes in the United Kingdom.

Every conceivable approach to obtain the necessary travel documents has been tried, and up to now has failed.

The answer invariably has been "no." It has not been just a thoughtless refusal by a busy bureaucracy. It's policy. The British husbands, aided by their Government, have pushed their petition right up to the presidium of the Supreme Soviet, highest authority in the Union. The answer, which must have passed the review of Premier Stalin himself, was the familiar "no." V. M. Molotov, Minister for Foreign Affairs, and his deputy, Andrei N. Vishinsky, have vetoed the pleas of husbands and denied the prayers of the Russian girls who want to join the men they married.

### Closed Door

"The loneliest women in the world," a London headline called them.

Regarding their plight, and vainly casting about for something to try next, C. P. Mayhew, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said in the House of Commons: "We are knocking at a firmly closed door."

Earl Winterton, also speaking in the House of Commons, said:

"It's just a drop in the ocean of the world's miseries. But nevertheless, I, although a politician, am horrified by the cruelty inflicted on these people."

Although every approach seems closed, the British keep on trying. The petitions of the fifteen husbands have become a national concern, ranking high on any listing of topics under the heading of Anglo-Russian relations. It remains a live subject in the newspapers and in Parliament.

### Shura's Appeal

There was even a suggestion before Parliament adjourned recently that the plight of the Russian wives will take on the aspect of an international issue. There is strong support of a

suggestion that the United Nations Human Rights Commission take an interest and introduce into a projected international code of human rights the right of any individual to leave any country.

The fifteen desolate husbands have been drawn together in what amounts to a club. They meet frequently in the London flat of one of them, Alfred Hall, clerk of the London County Council. Hall shows the latest photograph of his Russian wife, Clara, and of their son, Nicholas, now going on three. They exchange the latest news, and recently got their heads together over a letter from Shura, wife of William Greenhalgh. She was waiting in Moscow, but her latest letter said:

"I am being sent to Archangel—help me now." Greenhalgh had made the rounds of all Russian authorities in London, so he hoped over to Paris to ask for a visa so that he might visit Moscow to handle whatever emergency seemed to be confronting Shura. He said that he was told to "apply for a visa next Spring."

### Molotov In For It

At their meetings the husbands have other worries. Five of the fifteen wives have children. The other ten lately were informed that they must pay the usual Russian tax for being childless—about \$200 a year. It isn't easy at the moment to send non-convertible sterling to Russia. So, a delegation of husbands visited the Foreign Office to see whether the British Government could pay the tax somehow.

Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin was sympathetic, but the British Government can't.

The husbands made other motions. They sent a petition to the King, knowing perfectly well as they did that he is quite powerless in the matter. They pester everyone at the Russian Embassy; they look up and argue with every visitor from Russia, send messages with everyone going to Russia, and talk to members of Parliament.

They are preparing another scheme. When Foreign Minister Molotov comes to London for the Big Four Foreign Ministers' conference in November, they expect to remind him and his delegation as often and as emphatically as possible of the fifteen wives in Russia. Hall said that they will attempt to interview Molotov.

Russian visitors hear about

the wives the moment they leave their ships or planes. Vishinsky, on his way to America for the present meeting of the United Nations, held a press conference. The first question fired at him was about the wives the Soviets refuse to release.

### New Idea

"I am far more interested," he answered, "in the 150,000 Russians in the British zone of Germany who have not yet been released."

The reaction of British editorial columns and public leaders was prompt. It was admitted that there are Latvians, Estonians, Lithuanians and undoubtedly some Russians in the British zone.

But, the situation, it was argued, were not at all similar. A Foreign Office spokesman pointed out that the great majority of Eastern displaced persons in the British zone were not Russians before the war.

The Morning Advertiser added that "All of them are completely free to return to the Soviet Union, and some of them have done so. But the majority have no desire to go." The British Government resisted all suggestions that they should be forced to go.

Vishinsky's answer gave the husbands a new idea. Hall suggested that he and perhaps others of his group be given permission to visit the displaced persons camps, ascertain by interviews whether any are held against their will and help them return to their old homes if they

wish to do so. The suggestion is, among others, being considered.

### 1500 Precedent

There is a great deal of speculation in the press and elsewhere as to the reasons for the reluctance of the Russians to permit fifteen obscure women to come to England. The argument that Russia needs all available workers is considered, but fifteen women aren't many.

Another explanation, advanced in some communications to newspapers, is that Russia, in the prevailing state of its international affairs, does not wish to send abroad persons who might bear tales or speak with intimate and accurate information of internal conditions.

A letter to the Times recalled that there is an historical parallel. A Danish ambassador married a Russian woman and sought permission to take her to his home. The Russian Foreign Office, according to the communication to the Times, answered as follows:

"Inasmuch as it is not customary throughout our dominions that free people should be given into servitude, not only our own subjects but the people of other countries who are in our dominions, and since the woman in question can be a wife for us too, it is not fitting that we should send her away into servitude to your ambassador."

This was written, said the communication to the Times, in the year 1500.—Associated Press.

## Girl Tried To Go As Freight

A pretty, baby-faced German girl, who had tried to be shipped as freight to her sweetheart in New York, is alive today with the hope that some day she will get that all-important visa.

Doris Brigitte von Knobloch was found in her tiny wooden box at the airport this morning before she could be loaded on the New York plane. And her big grey eyes grew bigger and rounder when she heard that the Customs would have found her frozen corpse in the box if she had gone.

"I thought they would put me right on last night's plane," she explained, "and that from the airport in New York they would take the box right to Ralph's apartment."

At the end of the war, Doris was working in a Berlin hospital and there she met Ralph Berndt, half-Jewish, fresh from a year and a half in notorious Sachsenhausen concentration camp. They fell in love—the bleak grey love of two little people in defeated Germany.

Then Ralph got his chance for a visa for America as political persecutee. He left in the spring of 1946 and they planned to meet and marry in New York.

She kept a little red heart stitched on felt.

There was nothing to keep her in the Russian sector of Berlin, so she took to the road, travelling at night to reach the

American Zone. She found a place to stay in Darmstadt, but the schools where she wanted to study medicine, nursing or pharmacy were full. She found a job as a dental assistant in an Army dispensary at Darmstadt. Ralph's letters kept coming.

Doris said, "He wrote me he had money to guarantee my entry, that he had money for ticket. But still he doesn't have visa. Ten days ago I made this plan. I built a box and ask a soldier who works with me if he will take the box to the airport."

The box she built was barely big enough to hold her in a jockey position lying on her side, and she is a little girl—barely five feet. Air Force investigators who interrogated Doris said the soldier concerned did not know she was shipping herself.

The elfin-faced Miss von Knobloch was immediately questioned by Army Criminal Investigation agents.

Airline personnel described her as "properly addressed but improperly wrapped."

Before her interrogation began, the slightly-built girl told the United Press her 19-hour stay in the box had left her tired and a little stiff in the neck. There were no airholes in the green packing case.

The airfreight charge would have been U.S.\$130 or roughly one-third the passenger fare.—United Press.

## Calculated Plans To Drive Out American Business

New York, Oct. 2.

A *Colliers Magazine* article by Walter Gordon, "resident in China during and for two years after the war," today charged that American business firms are fighting an "uphill and losing battle" against concerns owned by Chinese political leaders or their relatives.

The article claimed that six big Chinese business concerns are "holy family" firms, namely, headed or owned by members of the families of Madame Chiang Kai-shek and T. V. Soong.

Gordon alleged that the "system of political favoritism of special privilege and family pull is enabling in-laws of Chiang Kai-shek to gain control over certain lines of private enterprise and is fostering the growth of State control. Many Americans are convinced that there is a calculated programme on the part of certain of China's political leaders, if not of the Government itself, to crowd long established American and other foreign firms out of China."

The article urged the State Department to request China to close official purchasing agencies as per "its previously announced policy" and to implement provisions of the Sino-American treaty of friendship and commerce.—United Press.

### PRIME NEED

Copenhagen, Oct. 3.

If world economic balance is to be re-established, the United States must boost its imports thereby enabling other countries to buy goods with American dollars, said Eugene Brademan of the U.S. Department of Commerce.—Associated Press.

## PLEBISCITE ON SAAR DEMANDED

Hamburg, Oct. 2.

A free and secret plebiscite on the future of the Saar was urged today in a declaration by the Unity Front of the anti-Fascist parties in the Soviet Zone of Germany.

The Unity Front, consisting of the Socialist Unity Party, Christian Democrats and Liberal Democrats, expressed its deepest regret that the draft constitution for the Saar, to be approved by a new Parliament to be elected on Sunday, provides for separation from Germany and a "far-reaching union" with France.—Reuter.

## CHINESE PLANE FOUND

Shanghai, Oct. 3.

The *Sin Wan Pao*, in a dispatch from Lanchow, said today that the Chinese Air Force transport plane missing on July 31 when flying from Tihua in Sinkiang province to Lanchow, provincial capital of Kansu province, has been found wrecked at Yushiheng, west of the Great Wall pass of Chihayukwan.

The dispatch said that all aboard—four crew members and 22 passengers, including American and British newsmen—were killed.

It was believed that the plane was found by a ground search party but due to poor communications no details are immediately available.

The Chinese Air Force said earlier that the plane—a C-47—left Tihua only July 30 for Hanchow and took off for Chihayukwan at 2.30 p.m. on July 31, maintaining constant contact with a CAF radio station until conditions around Chihayukwan suddenly worsened after 4 p.m. with the cloud ceiling descended below 1,000 and visibility reduced to within one mile.—United Press.

### RADIO TREATY

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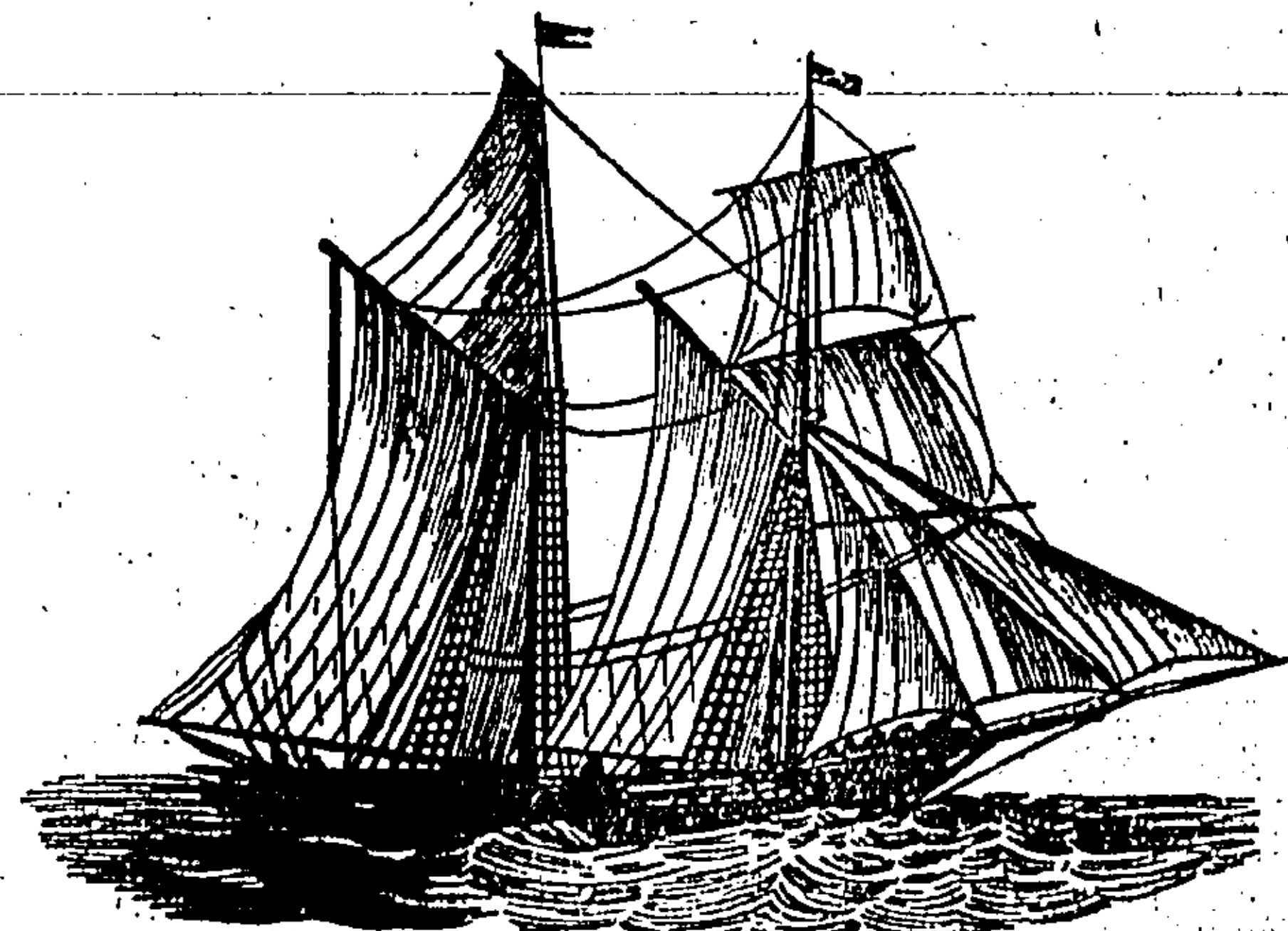
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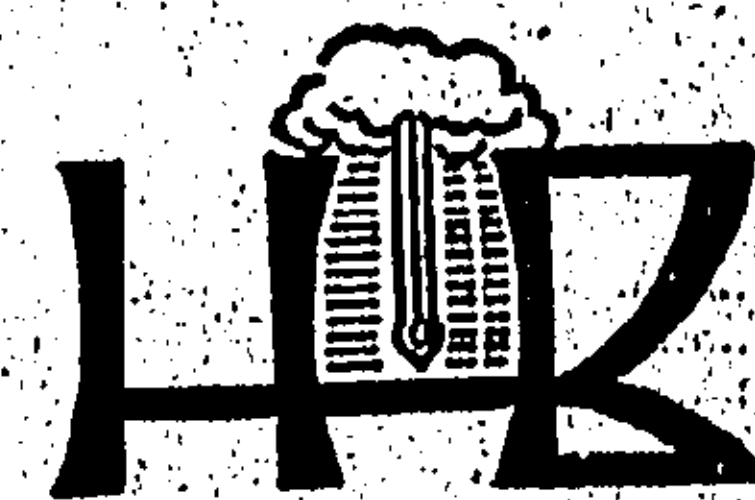
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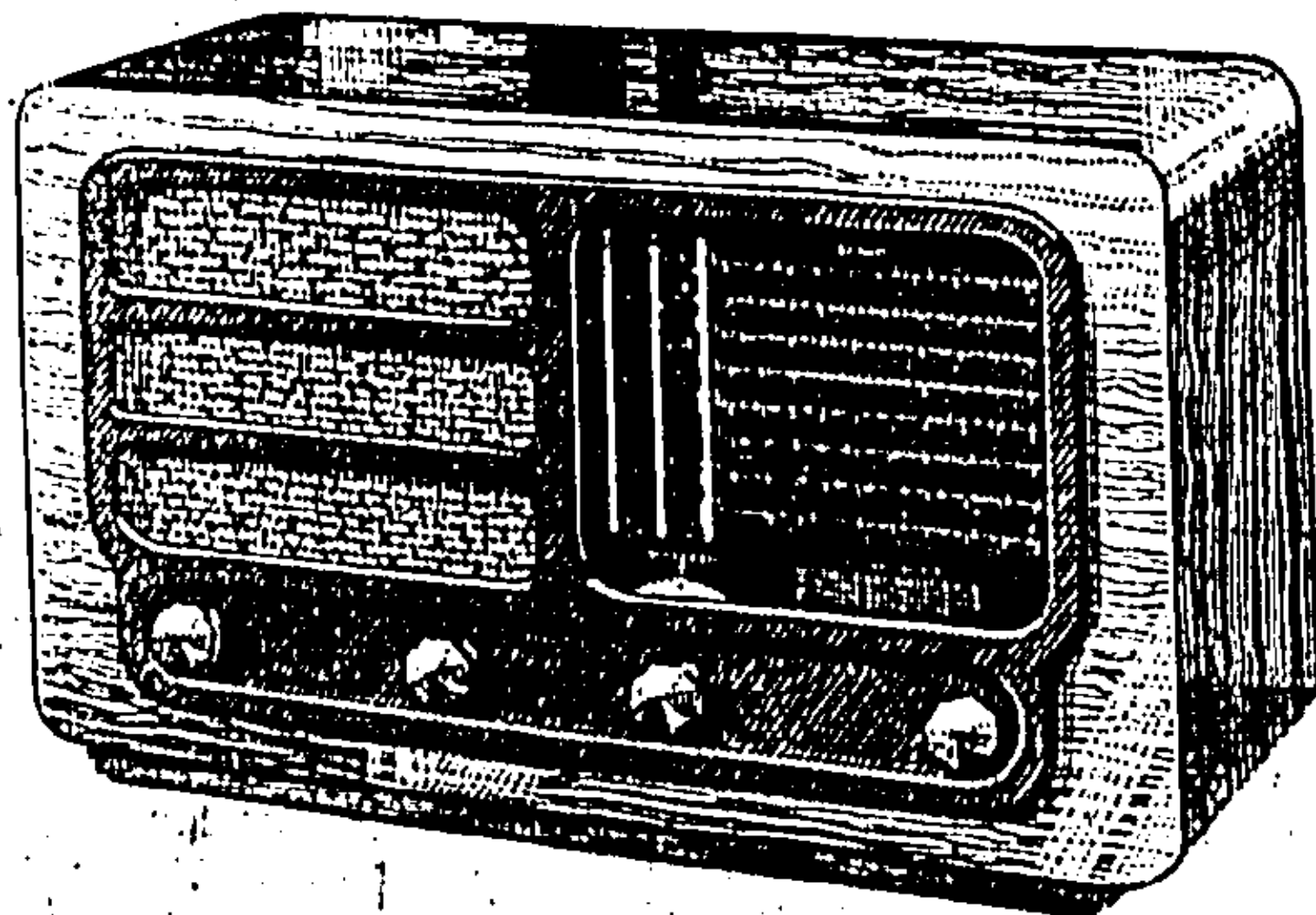
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Atlantic Coast via Los Angeles	Mid Oct.	s.s. "DONA AURORA"
	Late Nov.	m.v. "NAGARA"

## ARRIVALS

From	Date	Vessel
Atlantic Coast via Los Angeles	20th Oct.	m.v. "DONA ANICETA"
Shanghai	Mid Nov.	m.v. "MINDORO"
	4th Oct.	m.v. "BENARES"

## SAILINGS

For	Date	Vessel
Atlantic Coast via Los Angeles	5th Oct.	m.v. "BENARES"
	24th Oct.	m.v. "DONA ANICETA"
	Mid Nov.	m.v. "MINDORO"

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# AGREEMENT WITH MINERS: LONGER WORKING HOURS Latest Moves In Fuel Drive

London, Oct. 2.  
Negotiations between the National Coal Board which controls Britain's national industry and the National Union of Mineworkers have resulted in an agreement under which miners will work longer hours to produce additional fuel urgently needed by the nation's economy. It was announced tonight.

Details of the agreement, which will be placed before a conference of the Union on Oct. 10, were not disclosed, but they were believed to provide that miners will be free to decide, according to local conditions, whether to work additional time by putting in an extra half-hour on their daily seven-and-a-half hour shift or by volunteering to work two Saturdays a month.

## H.K. Stock Exchange

A falling off in dealings on the Exchange has been noticeable this week. In many cases the more active stocks have given ground compared with the level of the close last week.

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Loans: 4% Loan 107½; 4½% Loan 108½; 5% Loan 109½; 5½% Loan 110½; 6% Loan 111½; 6½% Loan 112½; 7% Loan 113½; 7½% Loan 114½; 8% Loan 115½; 8½% Loan 116½; 9% Loan 117½; 9½% Loan 118½; 10% Loan 119½; 10½% Loan 120½; 11% Loan 121½; 11½% Loan 122½; 12% Loan 123½; 12½% Loan 124½; 13% Loan 125½; 13½% Loan 126½; 14% Loan 127½; 14½% Loan 128½; 15% Loan 129½; 15½% Loan 130½; 16% Loan 131½; 16½% Loan 132½; 17% Loan 133½; 17½% Loan 134½; 18% Loan 135½; 18½% Loan 136½; 19% Loan 137½; 19½% Loan 138½; 20% Loan 139½; 20½% Loan 140½; 21% Loan 141½; 21½% Loan 142½; 22% Loan 143½; 22½% Loan 144½; 23% Loan 145½; 23½% Loan 146½; 24% Loan 147½; 24½% Loan 148½; 25% Loan 149½; 25½% Loan 150½; 26% Loan 151½; 26½% Loan 152½; 27% Loan 153½; 27½% Loan 154½; 28% Loan 155½; 28½% Loan 156½; 29% Loan 157½; 29½% Loan 158½; 30% Loan 159½; 30½% Loan 160½; 31% Loan 161½; 31½% Loan 162½; 32% Loan 163½; 32½% Loan 164½; 33% Loan 165½; 33½% Loan 166½; 34% Loan 167½; 34½% Loan 168½; 35% Loan 169½; 35½% Loan 170½; 36% Loan 171½; 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